

# **2020 MOUNTAIN LAKES GUIDE**



Lake Mary

# ABSAROKA - BEARTOOTH **CRAZY MOUNTAINS**

#### Fellow Angler:

This booklet is intended to pass on information collected over many years about the fishery of the Absaroka-Beartooth high country lakes. Since Pat Marcuson began surveying these lakes in 1967, many individuals have hefted a heavy pack and worked the high country for Fish, Wildlife and Parks. They have brought back the raw data and personal observations necessary to formulate management schemes for the 300+ lakes in this area containing fish. While the information presented here is not intended as a guide for hiking/camping or fishing techniques, it should help wilderness users to better plan their trips according to individual preferences and abilities.

Fish species present in the Absaroka-Beartooth lakes include Yellowstone cutthroat trout, brook trout, rainbow trout, golden trout, arctic grayling, and variations of cutthroat/rainbow/golden trout hybrids. These lake fisheries generally fall into two categories: self-sustaining and stocked. Self-sustaining lakes have enough spawning habitat to allow fish to restock themselves year after year. These often contain so many fish that while fishing can be fast, the average fish size will be small. The average size and number of fish present change very little from year to year in most of these lakes.

Lakes without spawning potential must be planted regularly to sustain a fishery. Standard stocking in the Beartooths is 50-100 Yellowstone cutthroat trout fingerlings per acre every eight years. Special situations may call for different species, numbers, or frequency of plants. For instance, lakes with heavy fishing pressure tend to be stocked more often and at higher densities. Grayling and golden trout are stocked to provide unique fishing opportunities and to help conserve populations of these rare fish. In the first few years after planting, many small fish will be found in a lake. With each passing year, fewer but larger fish will remain until all the fish age out and are gone, generally in 7-9 years. An angler can thus use the stocking history in this guide to predict what sizes and numbers of fish a given lake might currently contain.

Every year, Fish, Wildlife and Parks survey crews sample 30+ lakes out of the 300+ lakes containing fish. Results of past sampling efforts found in this report can be informative if looked at in the context of the stocking cycle for each lake. While this data will not provide up-to-theminute information for anglers, it is sufficient to allow a good guess about what may be present at any given time. Still, these wilderness waters can hold surprises. Additional water body and raw data can be found on the FWP website under Fish MT. I would appreciate any information you gather while on your trip (such as species, numbers, and accurate lengths).

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#### Tips For Using This Guide

<u>Latitude/Longitude</u>: These are taken at the middle of the lakes and are used for stocking purposes.

Marcusons Code = Code number of lake by drainage e.g., Rock Creek #60, East Rosebud #5, etc.

Crazy Mountain lake information can be found at the very end of this booklet.

As this guide will be updated yearly, the typeface has been much reduced and it is available online at (http://fwp.mt.gov/r5/mountainlakes) to keep costs down. I trust the information contained here will be worth the extra eye strain or price of a magnifying glass to the user.

While this guide deals with mountain lakes, an angler would be wise not to overlook the many streams of the Beartooths.

Special thanks go to all Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks Mountain Lake crews that have worked on the Mountain Lakes surveys, as well as those dedicated FWP employees who worked to keep the Mountain Lakes Guide updated throughout the years.

Enjoy and respect the high country. Good Fishing!

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# Fish Species Opportunities By Drainage

Note: The list of fish species opportunity by drainage is not an all inclusive list and does not include hybrid species, non-game fish species and does not include rare species found in a lake. The list was generated to help an angler narrow their search for a specific species.

# **Boulder Drainage (Beartooth Range)**

Golden Trout: Lake Mcknight, Upper Mcknight Lake

Rainbow Trout: Icicle Lake, Mirror Lake, Rainbow Lake #2, Rainbow Lake #3, Rainbow Lake #4, Rainbow Lake #5, Rainbow Lake #6, Rainbow Lake #7

Yellowstone Cutthroat: Alpine Lake, Beaver Pond, Blacktail Lake, Blue Lake, Bramble Lake #41, Bridge Lake, Burnt Gulch Lake, Camp Lake, Chickadee Lake, Davis Lake, Elk Lake, Fish Lake, Great Falls Creek Lake (Lower), Horseshoe Lake, Kaufman Lake, Mirror Lake, Narrow Escape Lake, Prospect Lake, Rainbow Lake #2, Rainbow Lake #3, Rainbow Lake #4, Rainbow Lake #5, Rainbow Lake #6, Rainbow Lake #7, Silver Lake, Speculator Lake, Squeeze Lake, Trout Lake, Weasel Lake #48, Weasel Lake #51, West Boulder Lake

# Clarks Fork Drainage (Beartooth Range)

Arctic Grayling: Diamond Lake, Little Washtub Lake

Brook Trout: Abandoned Lake, Alp Lake, Astral Lake, Bald Knob Lake, Big Moose Lake, Bob Lake, Broadwater Lake, Broadwater Meadow, Castle Lake, Cliff Lake, Companion Lake, Copeland Lake, Curl Lake, Dick Lake, Estelle Lake, Farley Lake, Finger Lake, Fizzle Lake, Fox Lake, Granite Lake, Green Lake, Green Lake, Gus Lake, Heidi Lake, Indian Knife Lake, Kersey Lake, Kidney Lake, Lady Of The Lake, Lake Elaine, Lennon Lake, Lillis Lake, Little Green Lake, Lone Elk Lake, Lonesome Lake, Long Lake, Lower Aero Lake, Mariane Lake, Martin Lake, Midnight Lake, Moccasin Lake, North Hidden Lake, Otter Lake, Ouzel Lake, Ovis Lake, Production Lake, Rachel Lake, Recruitment Lake, Rock Island Lake, Rough Lake, Round Lake, Russell Lake, Shelter Lake, Skull Lake, Sodalite Lake, Splinter Lake, Spogen Lake, Summerville Lake, Thiel Lake, Vernon Lake, Wand Lake, Widewater Lake, Wright Lake

Golden Trout: Anchor Lake, Basin Lake, Desolation Lake, Pablo Lake, Rock Tree Lake

Rainbow Trout: Big Moose Lake, Cradle Lake, Fox Lake, Granite Lake, Widewater Lake

Yellowstone Cutthroat: Albino Lake, Alp Lake, Aquarius Lake, Cloverleaf Lake #215, Cloverleaf Lake #216, Cloverleaf Lake #217, Cloverleaf Lake #223, Corner Lake, Crystal Lake, Dollar Lake, Flat Rock Lake, Fritter Lake, Fulcrum Lake, Golden Lake, Hidden Lake, Jasper Lake, Jorden Lake, Kersey Lake, Lake Of The Clouds, Lake Of The Winds, Leaky Raft Lake, Line Lake, Looking Glass Lake, Lower Aero Lake, Margaret Lake, Marsh Lake, Maryott Lake, Melody Lake, Nymph Lake, Rock Island Lake, Sedge Lake, Star Lake, Stash Lake, Surprise Lake, Swamp Lake, Throop Lake, Triall Lake, Triangle Lake, Triskele Lake, Two Bits Lake, Unnamed Cf089a, Upper Aero Lake, Upper Mud Lake, Varve Lake, Vernon Lake, Weasel Lake, Wiedy Lake, Zimmer Lake

# East Rosebud Drainage (Beartooth Range)

Brook Trout: Billy Lake, Cairn Lake, Crow Lake, Elk Lake, Shadow Lake, Slough Lake

Brown Trout: East Rosebud Lake

Golden Trout: Little Scat Lake, Martin Lake, Scat Lake, Sylvan Lake

Rainbow Trout: East Rosebud Lake, Lower Snow Lake

Yellowstone Cutthroat: Arch Lake (Little), Big Park Lake, Brent Lake, Dewey Lake, Duggan Lake, Echo Lake, Fossil Lake, Froze To Death Lake, Lower Arch Creek Lake, Medicine Lake, Phantom Lake, Turgulse Lake, Twin Outlets Lake, Upper Arch Creek Lake

# **Rock Creek Drainage (Beartooth Range)**

Arctic Grayling: Lost Lake

Brook Trout: Basin Creek Lake, Broadwater, Crescent Lake, Daly Lake, Elk Horn Lake, First Rock Lake, Glacier Lake, Hellroaring Lake #9, Keyser Brown, Lake Gertrude, Lake Mary, Second Rock Lake, Senal Lake, September Morn Lake, Shelf Lake, Ship Lake, Silver Run Lake #47, Sliderock Lake, Smethurst Lake, Snowbank Lake, Timberline Lake, Unnamed lake (Half Moon Lake)

Rainbow Trout: Greenough Lake, Wild Bill Lake

Yellowstone Cutthroat: Black Canyon Lake, Bowback Lake, Daly Lake, Dude Lake, Elk Horn Lake, Emerald Lake, First Rock Lake, Glacier Lake, Hairpin Lake, Hellroaring Lake #4, Hellroaring Lake #9, Keyser Brown, Kookoo Lake, Lost Lake, Marker Lake, Moon Lake, Mountain Goat Lake, Ryeberg Lake, Senal Lake, Shadow Lake, Sheep Lake, Silt Lake (Lower), Silt Lake (Upper), Smethurst Lake, Sundance Lake, Triangle Lake, Triangle Lake

# Slough Creek Drainage (Beartooth Range)

Yellowstone Cutthroat: Heather Lake, Lake Abundance, Peace Lake

# Stillwater Drainage (Beartooth Range)

Arctic Grayling: Chrome Lake

Brook Trout: Fly Lake, Glacier Green Lake, Imelda Lake, Lake Aries, Sioux Charley Lake, Sourdough Lake, Spider Lake

Golden Trout: Asteroid Lake, Dryad Lake, Incisor Lake, Lightning Lake, Little Lightning Lake, Sunken Rock Lake

Rainbow Trout: Cimmerian Lake, Unamed 69, Wounded Man Lake

Yellowstone Cutthroat: Anvil Lake, Aufwuchs Lake, Beauty Lake, Chrome Lake, Cimmerian Lake, Courthouse Lake, Favonius Lake, Goose Lake, Huckleberry Lake, Jasper Lake, Jay Lake, Jeff Lake, Jordan Lake, Lake Of The Woods, Lake Wilderness, Little Goose Lake, Martes Lake, Mouse Lake, Mutt Lake, North Picket Pin Lake, Pentad Lake, South Picket Pin Lake, Sundown Lake, Wood Lake, Wrong Lake

# West Rosebud Drainage (Beartooth Range)

Brook Trout: Emerald Lake, Lily Pad Lake, Twin Lakes, West Rosebud Lake

Brown Trout: Emerald Lake, Island Lake, West Rosebud Lake

Golden Trout: W Fishtail Cr Lk #40, W Fishtail Cr Lk #41, W Fishtail Cr Lk #43

Rainbow Trout: Crater Lake, Emerald Lake, Huckleberry Lake, Island Lake, Mystic Lake, Silver Lake, West Rosebud Lake

Yellowstone Cutthroat: Arrapooash Lake, Avalanche Lake, Beckwourth Lake, Eedica Lake, Frenco Lake, Island Lake, Lower Storm Lake, Nemidji Lake, Nugget Lake, Princess Lake, Ram Lake, Weeluna Lake

# Big Timber Creek Drainage (Crazy Range)

Rainbow Trout: Blue Lake, Druckmiller Lake, Granite Lake, Lower Twin Lake, Thunder Lake, Upper Twin Lake

Yellowstone Cutthroat: Crazy Lake, Pear Lake

# **Cottonwood Creek Drainage (Crazy Range)**

Yellowstone Cutthroat: Cottonwood Lake, Forest Lake

# Rock Creek Drainage (Crazy Range)

Yellowstone Cutthroat: Rock Lake, Smeller Lake

# **Swamp Creek Drainage (Crazy Range)**

**Brook Trout:** Swamp Lake

# Sweet Grass Creek Drainage (Crazy Range)

Golden Trout: Cave Lake

Rainbow Trout: Moose Lake

Yellowstone Cutthroat: Campfire Lake, Cascade Lake, North Fork Lake, Sunlight Lake

# Beartooth Mountain Range

# **Boulder Drainage**

#### **Alpine Lake**

Drainage: Boulder Access: Stay on north side of "3 Creeks" and go straight up mountain. Then follow the

**Elevation:** 8797 ft contour around to the west. There are some game trails that are a mild help.

**Location:** 45.46219, -110.41757 (Map) Tough access!!

Marcuson's Code: 83 Camp sites: Some campsites and plenty of firewood available. This is "good" bear country!
Section: 04S11E30

Size:10.5 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:8ft (Ave), 20ft (Max)West Boulder #419.5 mi (7.75 on trail)2800 up, 0 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Yellowstone Cutthroat
 Abundant
 Stock, with some natural reproduction

Stocking DataHistoricPlannedYellowstone Cutthroat Trout525 in 2013; 525 in 2005525 in 2021

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2013
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 34
 11.5
 6.5-13.4

 2004
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 8
 11.7
 10.5-12.8

Comments: Alpine Lake sits up on a nice little bench.

In 1995 some of the fish were spent, thus were skinny but the others that weren't spent appeared in ok condition.

#### **Beaver Pond**

Drainage: Boulder Access: There is a jeep/ATV trail that goes to Independence that is within 1/2 mile the

**Elevation:** 8144 ft Beaver Pond.

No Fish Caught

Location: 45.2014, -110.23968 (Map) Camp sites: Good campsites and wood available.

Marcuson's Code: 97 Section: 7S12E21

Size:1.35 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:3ft (Max)Independance 4x40 mi (0 on trail)0 up, 0 down

| Species Present | Abundance | Status |
| Yellowstone Cutthroat | Common | Self-Sustained |

 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout X Rainbow
 Common
 Self-Sustained

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2008
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 5
 12.3
 7.5-15.4

0

Comments: This pond is a wide spot in the upper end of the Boulder River. The pond has a mud bottom and is shallow.

#### **Blacktail Lake**

Drainage: Boulder Access: Secondary tributary of the West Boulder via Davis Creek. Hike up USFS Trail

Elevation: 8758 ft #37 from the Burnt Leather Ranch and then trail #38.

Location: 45.5347, -110.42826 (Map) Camp sites: Some campsites, plenty of firewood. Heavy use by horses.

Marcuson's Code: 91

Section: 03S10E36

1990

Size: 4.2 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth: 9ft (Ave), 20ft (Max)Davis Creek8 mi (8 on trail)3300 up, 100 down

 9ft (Ave), 20ft (Max)
 Davis Creek
 8 mi (8 on trail)
 3300 up, 100 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Yellowstone Cutthroat
 Common
 Stocked

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Cutthroat Trout
 6,000 in 1945

 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 630 in 2014; 525 in 2008
 525 in 2022

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2013
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 5
 13.4
 12.4-13.8

 1996
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 4
 14.1
 13.0-15.2

**Comments:** Yellowstone cutthroat trout are planted every 8 years. Some natural reproduction may occur but the recruitment appears to be sporadic. The fish have good growth rates. There are several fire rings here and the area appears to receive heavy use.

Only lake in the area with a trail to it.

#### Blue Lake

Drainage: Boulder

Elevation: 9558 ft

**Location:** 45.19955, -110.211 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 31

Section: 07S12E27 Size: 10.2 acres

Depth: 12ft (Ave), 27ft (Max)

Access: Located in the headwaters of the East Fork of the Boulder River near

Haystack Peak. There is a jeep/ATV trail up the Main Boulder near

Independence. The lake is about 200 yards from the end of the jeep/ATV trail.

Camp sites: Campsites are available and there is firewood

Trailhead	<u>Distance</u>	Elevation Change
Independence 4x4	2.5 mi (1 on trail)	800 up, 800 down
Cross-country from	1.5 mi (0 on trail)	150 ft up, 150 ft down
Independence		

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stocked
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Cutthroat Trout	2,000 in 1965	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	1,000 in 2018; 900 in 2017	1,020 in 2021; 1,020 in 2025

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	No Fish Caught	0		
2017	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	4	15.4	13.5-18.3
2008	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	9	10.7	8.3-12.2

Comments: Blue Lake is stocked every 4 years because of the relatively easy access. The 2017 sample was a short 3 hour daytime net set that caught 4 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout. Crews also tried to angle fish in 2017 but caught no fish angling. In 2017 the fish

density appeared low.

#### **Bramble Creek Lake 38**

Drainage: Boulder Access: Headwaters of Bramble Creek. It is a 3 mile hike up Bramble Creek. No Trail Elevation: 8508 ft

exists.

Location: 45.36948, -110.24429 (Map) Camp sites: Nice campsite and there is firewood present.

Marcuson's Code: 38

Section: 5S12E28

**Size:** 1.62 acres **Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** Depth: 1ft (Ave), 3ft (Max) 3 mi (0 on trail) 3500 up, 0 down None

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Rare	Unknown	

Comments: There are 4 Bramble Lakes (38, 39, 40, & 41). Bramble Lake #39 and #41 have fish. Bramble Lake 39 is planted with

Yellowstone Cutthroat and some of these fish may get into Bramble Lake 38 but the lake is too shallow to set a net. Angler

reported that on 8/27/1989 Bramble Lake 38 was dry.

# Bramble Creek Lake 39 (Bramble #1)

Drainage: Boulder Access: Approximately 3 miles up Bramble Creek. No Trail exists. Tough hike but

Elevation: 8889 ft maybe try staying just north of the creek drainage first 1/2 to avoid dead fall.

Location: 45.36614, -110.24857 (Map) Camp sites: Beautiful place to camp. Plenty of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 39

Section: 5S12E28 Size: 4.08 acres

**Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 26ft (Max) None 3 mi (0 on trail) 3500 up, 0 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Unknown	Stocked	
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>	
Cutthroat Trout	3,000 in 1965		
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	300 in 2017: 330 in 2009	330 in 2024	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	19	9.8	9.0-10.9
1991	No Fish Caught	0		

Comments: Bramble #39 was stocked in 2017. Some of the previous plants may have been missed. The FWP crew found plenty of fat Yellowstone Cutthroat here in 2018. They should grow quite well the next few years. The lake is somewhat turbid. Visibility was about 3 feet in 2018.

# Bramble Lake #41 (Bramble #3)

Drainage: Boulder Access: Approximately 3 miles up Bramble Creek. No Trail exists and these lakes are Elevation: None ft

moderately hard to find. The climb up the mountain is tough. Try staying just

Stocked

north of the creek drainage first 1/2 to avoid deadfall.

**Location:** 45.36389, -110.25982 (Map) Marcuson's Code: 41

Section: 05S12E28

Camp sites: Firewood is present. Nice campsites (a few good flat spots).

Size: 4.25 acres

Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 70ft (Max) None 3 mi (0 on trail) 3500 up, 0 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Abundant	Stocked

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	20	15.3	13.3-17.7
1991	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	9	11.6	9.8-14.2

Comments: In 2018, the mountain lakes crew angled 20 Yellowstone Cutthroat up to 17.7 inches long. Fish were observed attempting to

spawn along the shoreline.

Yellowstone Cutthroat

# **Bridge Lake**

Drainage: Boulder Access: North East of Crow Mountain. Trail #25 climbs 10 miles to this lake from the

Elevation: 9614 ft Boulder River. The trail is excellent the first 9.5 miles.

Location: 45.26612, -110.34525 (Map) Camp sites: Nice campsites, especially 1/2 mile below but the firewood is a little scarce.

Marcuson's Code: 36

**Section:** 06S11E34

Size: 14.2 acres **Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** Depth: 28ft (Ave), 42ft (Max) Bridge Creek 10 mi (9.5 on trail) 3500 up. 100 down

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Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>St</u>	<u>atus</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	St	ocked

Common Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> <u>Planned</u> Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 2,130 in 2019; 2,130 in 2013 2,130 in 2025

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	21	13.5	8.2-16.8
2006	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	34	9.4	6.8-15.8

Comments: Abundant forage available results in some exceptional fish. This is a beautiful cirque lake with volcanic rock all around that is popular and shows some heavy use.

#### **Burnt Gulch Lake**

Drainage: Boulder Access: From the main Boulder Road it is 14 miles up Upsidedown trail or 10 miles up

Elevation: 9109 ft Rainbow Creek/Box Canyon trail. The lake sits 1/2 mile north Of Columbine Location: 45.244, -110.1478 (Map) Creek confluence. The last 1/2 mile of the hike is cross country and about 600 Marcuson's Code: 26 ft easy climb.

Section: 07S13E7 Camp sites: Plenty of good campsites and lots of firewood available.

Size: 9.1 acres

**Trailhead** Elevation Change **Distance** Depth: 22ft (Ave), 43ft (Max) Upsidedown Trail 14 mi (13 on trail) 3770 up. 1170 down Box Canyon 10.5 mi (9.5 on trail) 2364 ft up, 0 ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Self-Sustained
Stocking Data	Historic	<u>Planned</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	975 in 2019; 3,978 in 1985	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	No Fish Caught	0		
2018	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	8	10.0	8.2-14.2
2009	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	15	13.5	8.7-17.8

Comments: The FWP crew sample in 2018 found few average sized YCT. There wer lots of Columbia Spotted frogs and tadpoles. Can also be reached from Upsidedown Trail - Horseshoe Lake rainbow crk. Trail - columbine crk. - then cross country.

# Camp Lake

Drainage: Boulder Access: Head of Canyon Creek. Take Picket Pin-Iron Mountain Road to Chrome Elevation: 8905 ft

Mountain and then it is 2.5 miles cross country from Chrome Mountain.

Location: 45.47217, -110.11503 (Map) Camp sites: One excellent campsite. Plenty of firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 3

Section: 04S13E22

Size: 7.8 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 28ft (Ave), 58ft (Max) Chrome Mtn 2.5 mi (0 on trail) 200 up, 500 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Self-Sustained

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2015	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	35	10.0	4.7-12.7
2008	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	26	9.3	5.9-11.9

Comments: Camp Lake is outside AB Wilderness boundary. Fish from the 2016 survey were thin and 25 of the 35 fish sample were

obtained with 3.5 hrs of angling. This is good day hike material.

# Chickadee Lake

Drainage: Boulder Access: Take the trail up Upsidedown Creek and then approximately 1 mile of cross

Elevation: 9671 ft country to the lake.

Location: 45.2768, -110.15835 (Map) Camp sites: Camping is excellent just below the lake. There is some firewood below.

Marcuson's Code: 15

Section: 6S13E30

Size: 6.64 acres **Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** 3470 up, 100 down Depth: 8ft (Max) Upsidedown Trail 9.5 mi (8.5 on trail)

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Self-Sustained
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Self-Sustained

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	11	11.4	6.9-16.0
2003	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	5	14.6	13.0-15.7

Comments: There is a spring fed spawning area located in the inlet. In 2012 the fish were in average condition. The 2012 sample was

collected with 2 hours of angling effort.

#### Davis Lake

Drainage: Boulder Access: Headwaters of Davis Creek on the West Boulder. Follow Trail #37 up Davis Elevation: 8790 ft

Creek 3 miles past Trail #38 then cross country to the lake. Last 3 miles are

Self-Sustained

Location: 45.48054, -110.42739 (Map) tough 1 mile / hour!

Marcuson's Code: 87 Camp sites: Plenty of firewood and many campsites are available. Be Bear Aware!

Common

**Section:** 04S10E24

Yellowstone Cutthroat

**Distance** Size: 5.1 acres **Trailhead Elevation Change** Depth: 5ft (Ave), 15ft (Max) **Davis Creek** 10 mi (8 on trail) 3400 up, 100 down

Species Present **Abundance** Status

Stocking Data Historic Planned **Cutthroat Trout** 4,650 in 1934 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 510 in 1979

# of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys **Species** 2017 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 9.4-16.4 14 12.7 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 1996 15 12.1 7.6-14.6

Comments: Beautiful place with goats, elk and deer. The access is tough and there is little use here. The YCT are reproducing well and are also present in the pond above the lake. In 2017 FWP caught 14 YCT in 3 hr day net set.

#### Elk Lake

Drainage: Boulder Elevation: 9528 ft

Location: 45.22765, -110.31366 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 35

Section: 07S11E14 Size: 9.2 acres

Depth: 10ft (Ave), 22ft (Max)

Access: It is 6 miles up Copper Creek Trail #15 to West Boulder Divide and then 2

miles north along the divide to where you drop into the lake. It is a tough hike up Elk Creek. An angler reported hiking up the north side of Elk Creek and it

took them 10-11 hours to reach the lake.

Camp sites: Some camping spots and firewood available.

<u>Trailhead</u>	<u>Distance</u>	Elevation Change
Copper Creek	8 mi (6 on trail)	2800 up, 600 down
Inependence Road, just	4 mi (0 on trail)	None ft up, None ft down
north of Flk Creek		

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Abundant	Stocked	
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Abundant	Stocked	

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> <u>Planned</u> Rainbow Trout 6.000 in 1936

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 920 in 2014; 920 in 2008 920 in 2020

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2019	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	22	14.9	12.7-16.3
2012	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	9	15.1	12.8-18.9

Comments: The Yellowstone cutthroat grow well in Elk Lake. In 2019, 22 YCT were caught in an overnight net set. Great fishing spot that is

fairly tough to get to.

#### Fish Lake

Drainage: Boulder Access: Fish Lake is in the headwaters of the South Fork of Rainbow Creek. There are

Elevation: 9525 ft two trails that can get you there, Box Canyon up Rainbow Creek or the Location: 45.2528, -110.1106 (Map)

Upsidedown Trail.

Marcuson's Code: 25 Camp sites: There are great camping spots, firewood is limited.

Section: 07S13E4 **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change Size:** 18.0 acres Box Canyon 10.5 mi (10.5 on trail) 2600 up, 100 down Depth: 27ft (Ave), 45ft (Max) Upsidedown Creek 11.5 mi (11.5 on trail) 4200 ft up, 1500 ft down

Species Present Yellowstone Cutthroat	Abundance Abundant	Status Self-Sustained
Tellowstone Guttinoat	Abulidani	Gen-Gustaineu
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	Planned
Brook Trout	1,200 in 1944	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Golden X Rainbow X Cutthroat	33	9.4	5.6-14.3
2004	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	8	10.5	9.3-11.8

Comments: Fish Lake is a very scenic location! MTFWp sampled in 2018 with angling. They found good fishing with fish up to 14 inches.

Fish look like cutthroats that are hybridized with Rainbow and/or Golden Trout.

# **Great Falls Creek Lake, Lower**

Drainage: Boulder Access: Trail #18 up great Falls Creek. It's the first lake you come to ~7 miles from the Elevation: 9020 ft

trailhead. It's slightly off the trail to the NW 6.5 miles up.

Location: 45.43391, -110.28377 (Map) Camp sites: There are flat spots to camp on the trail side of the lake and lots of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 55

Section: 05S12E6

Size: 6.6 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 9ft (Ave), 23ft (Max) **Great Falls Creek** 7 mi (6.5 on trail) 3800 up, 100 down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Rainbow Trout Rare Self-Sustained Yellowstone Cutthroat Stock, with some natural reproduction Abundant

Stocking Data **Historic Planned** 1,080 in 1978; 28,000 in 1933 Rainbow Trout Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 660 in 2012; 660 in 2011 660 in 2025

# of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys Species 2018 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 27 12.9 9.4-15.6 2014 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 50 10.7 5.7-16.3

Comments: This is a nice secluded location that does not receive very many visitors. Starting in 2007 Yellowstone cutthroat were stocked annually with intent to swamp out rainbow trout genetics. Legal harvest of rainbow trout is encouraged. MTFWP sampled in 2014 and 2018 finding no sign of Rainbows.

Fish are plentiful and a few of the sampled fish were skinny likely due to the high abundance of fish in the lake. In 2014, 31 of the 51 fish sample was obtained by angling for 6 hours.

#### **Horseshoe Lake**

Drainage: Boulder Access: This is the first lake encountered on the Upsidedown Creek Trail and receives

Elevation: 9587 ft heavy use. The Upsidedown Trail is steep but very well maintained.

Location: 45.26847, -110.18172 (Map) Camp sites: Camping is good but the firewood is picked over.

Marcuson's Code: 11

Section: 06S12E36 Size: 15.9 acres

**Trailhead Elevation Change** Depth: 4ft (Ave), 10ft (Max) Upsidedown Trail 7.5 mi (7.5 on trail) 3130 up, 80 down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Self-Sustained

Stocking Data **Historic** Planned Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 291 in 1970

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2015 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 12 11.4 8.6-13.9 2007 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 15 5.5-14.0 9.2

Comments: Horseshoe Lake is shallow wide spot in the creek and has potential to winterkill. The July 2015 gill net sample was collected during cold conditions with 4 inches of fresh snow that may have decreased sampling efficiency.

#### Icicle Lake

Drainage: Boulder Access: Leave west Boulder Trail #41 between Trapper Creek and Three Creeks. Hike Elevation: 9471 ft

up a steep, untrailed, very difficult 2.5 miles through large boulder fields to the lake. OR consider hiking across West Boulder Plateau from Great Falls Creek

Self-Sustained

Location: 45.45127, -110.3361 (Map) Marcuson's Code: 74 Camp sites: Many campsites. Plenty of firewood.

Section: 4S11E26

Size: 6.25 acres **Elevation Change Trailhead Distance** West Boulder 3915 up, 0 down Depth: 13ft (Max) 10.5 mi (7.5 on trail)

Abundant

Species Present **Abundance** Status

# of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys **Species** 2014 15 11.7-15.2 Rainbow Trout 13.5 2004 Rainbow Trout 11 9.9 8.0-12.1

Comments: Icicle Lake is a beautiful lake at timberline that shows little sign of human use.

Most fish were in good condition during 2014 survey. 7 of the 15 fish for the 2014 survey were obtained by angling for 5.5

hours.

Rainbow Trout

# Kaufman Lake (Falls Creek Lake)

Drainage: Boulder Access: Best route is up Four Mile Creek past Silver, Patient and West Boulder Lakes

Elevation: 8994 ft or up Speculator Creek leaving the trail at the switchbacks. **Location:** 45.38625, -110.36447 (Map) Camp sites: Camping is best in meadow near inlet. Firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 76

Section: 05S11E21 **Elevation Change Trailhead Distance** Size: 39.7 acres Fourmile 12.0 mi (8 on trail) 4785 up, 2095 down Depth: 16ft (Ave), 70ft (Max) Speculator Creek 12.0 mi (8.0 on trail) 5340 ft up, 2110 ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Self-Sustained
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Arctic Grayling	8,225 in 2013; 15,750 in 20	012
Golden Trout	10,000 in 1958	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	20,000 in 1979; 3,850 in 19	977

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Arctic Grayling	16	12.5	11.5-13.4
2017	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	3	12.3	9.0-16.1
2009	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	19	14.7	9.8-16.0

Comments: In 2017 YCT were spawning in the stream. Crews observed YCT from 2 inches to 12 inches. Grayling were stocked as a possible high elevation brood source.

#### Lake Columbine

Drainage: Boulder Access: Usfs Trail #27 up the East Fork of the Boulder River.

Elevation: 9151 ft Camp sites: Firewood limited.

Location: 45.21762, -110.14352 (Map) Marcuson's Code: 30

**Section:** 07S13E17

**Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Size: 5.3 acres Upsidedown Trail 15.0 mi (15 on trail) 3800 up, 1200 down Depth: 5ft (Ave), 10ft (Max) Box Canyon 11.5 mi (11.5 on trail) 2400 ft up, 0 ft down

Species Pres	<u>ent</u>	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
No Fish Capt	ured	Unknown		Unknown	
<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2007	No Fish Caught		0		

Comments: Grayling were scheduled to be planted in 1984 but no record of an actual plant can be found (suspect plant cancelled at request of USFS). Crews sampled this lake in 2007 with an overnight gill net set 13 hours and captured no fish. This lake will likely only be surveyed again if it has been stocked.

# Lake Mcknight

Access: Trail #37 up Davis Creek on the West Boulder. Follow the trail up a tributary Drainage: Boulder

Elevation: 9181 ft north of the lakes and then south. This is tough cross country hiking.

Location: 45.49057, -110.44325 (Map) Camp sites: Couple really nice camp spots- some firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 90

Elevation Change **Trailhead Distance Section:** 04S10E13 Davis Creek 9.5 mi (8.5 on trail) 3700 up, 100 down Size: 10.8 acres Pine Creek near Pray 6.25 mi (5.25 on trail) None ft up, None ft down Depth: 16ft (Ave), 60ft (Max) Mountain

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Golden Trout	Common	Stocked
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Golden Trout	1,100 in 2005; 927 in 1992	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Golden Trout	15	11.9	6.8-18.8
2009	Golden Trout	71	12.5	10.6-14.3

Comments: Lake Mcknight and Upper Mcknight Lakes are beautiful, isolated and hard to get to. The 2017 sample was an overnight net set. The population of golden trout appear to be self-sustaining thus no future stocking is planned.

#### Mirror Lake

Drainage: Boulder Access: On lake plateau in the headwaters of Rainbow Creek. Access via Usfs Trail #26.

Elevation: 9784 ft

Location: 45.27744, -110.149 (Map) Camp sites: Campsites best near the outlet. Some firewood nearby.

Marcuson's Code: 16

Section: 06S13E30

Size: 16.4 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Upsidedown Trail Depth: 34ft (Ave), 80ft (Max) 9.5 mi (8.5 on trail) 3550 up, 100 down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Rainbow Trout Common Self-Sustained Yellowstone Cutthroat Stock, with some natural reproduction Common

Stocking Data **Planned** <u>Historic</u> Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 11,750 in 2019; 11,750 in 2018

**Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys 6.7-14.0 2016 Rainbow Trout 10 9.4 2016 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 33 8.1 4.7-11.4 2003 Rainbow Trout 8 10.4 8.0-12.0

Comments: In 2011 FWP began stocking Yellowstone cutthroat trout at high density in an attempt to swamp out rainbow trout. In 2016 FWP sampled with gill nets and angling and caught mostly YCT and no no apparent hybrids.

# Narrow Escape Lake

Drainage: Boulder Access: Headwaters of Hawley Creek. The access is best from Rainbow and/or Mirror

Elevation: 9394 ft Lake but there is no trail from either lake. To get to Narrow Escape travel

around the southwest side of Squeeze Lake. Location: 45.29884, -110.14972 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 4 Camp sites: Decent campsites at inlet and outlet. Plenty of firewood.

**Section:** 06S13E19 Trailhead Elevation Change **Distance** Size: 11.6 acres Upsidedown Creek 14.5 mi (11.5 on trail) 4000 up, 1000 down Depth: 11ft (Ave), 20ft (Max) 3200 ft up, 500 ft down Box Canyon 14.5 mi (11.5 on trail)

Species Present **Abundance** Self-Sustained Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Stocking Data **Historic** Planned Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 1,100 in 1989; 1,100 in 1977

Surveys Species # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2018 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 21 15.3 11.1-20.3 2001 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 9 12.4 8.4-14.8

Comments: The fishery is self-sustaining. The mountain lakes crew sampled in 2018 with netting and angling. They found really nice sized cutthroats up to 20 inches long.

#### Prospect Lake

Drainage: Boulder Access: Hike Up Trail #22 along Fourmile Creek from the USFS station. From Silver

Elevation: 9617 ft Lake follow the left fork of the inlet stream ~1 mile to prospect. Location: 45.36663, -110.35922 (Map) Camp sites: Fairly rocky, with little firewood. The camping is better at Silver Lake.

Marcuson's Code: 43

Section: 05S11E27

Yellowstone Cutthroat

Size: 6.8 acres **Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** Depth: 30ft (Max)

Fourmile Ranger St. 11.5 mi (10.5 on trail) 3800 up, 200 down Species Present **Abundance Status** 

Stocking Data **Historic Planned** 4,020 in 1989; 4,020 in 1980 Rainbow Trout Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 680 in 2012; 680 in 2011

Common

# of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys **Species** 2015 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 37 10.1 7.9-13.0 2012 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 16 8.5 5.0-12.2

**Comments:** The chance of encountering other hikers is pretty good.

Prospect Lake was part of the Upper Boulder Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout restoration effort and from 2007 to 2009 gill nets were used to remove rainbow trout. Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout were stocked until 2012 when they became self-sustaining. In 2015, 11 of the 36 fish sample was obtained by angling for 4 hours.

Self-Sustained

#### Rainbow Lake #2

**Drainage:** Boulder Access: From the Box Canyon Trailhead take trails #27/28/211 to the Rainbow Lakes.

Elevation: 9448 ft Access also by using the Upsidedown Trail.

Location: 45.27254, -110.12745 (Map) Camp sites: There are good places to camp but firewood is picked over.

Marcuson's Code: 18

 Section:
 6S13E32
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 26.03 acres
 Box Canyon
 11.25 mi (11.25 on trail)
 2650 up, 100 down

 Depth:
 30ft (Max)
 Upside Down Creek
 11.25 mi (11.25 on trail)
 3750 ft up, 1000 ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Rainbow Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stock, with some natural reproduction

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Cutthroat Trout	8,000 in 1932	
Rainbow Trout	3,500 in 1949	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	13,000 in 2019; 13,000 in 2018	13,000 in 2020; 13,000 in 2021

Surveys	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Rainbow Trout	11	8.7	6.4-11.2
2018	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	17	9.2	7.4-10.7
2016	Rainbow Trout	13	8.7	6.8-11.5
2016	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	22	8.6	7.2-10.5

Comments: This is the largest of the seven lakes. This is a popular area. Rainbow lakes were netted in 2011 and 2012 to try to remove RB. YCT have been stocked heavily to try to swamp out remaining RB. MTFWP samples in 2016 and 2018 caught Rainbow and Cutthroat.

#### Rainbow Lake #3

Drainage: Boulder Access: From the Box Canyon Trailhead take trails #27/28/211 to the Rainbow Lakes.

Elevation: 9432 ft Access also by using the Upsidedown Trail.

Location: 45.26747, -110.12583 (Map) Camp sites: There are good places to camp but firewood is picked over.

Marcuson's Code: 19

 Section:
 6S13E33
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 8.28 acres
 Box Canyon
 11 mi (11 on trail)
 2600 up, 100 down

 Depth:
 25ft (Max)
 Upside Down Creek
 11 mi (11 on trail)
 3700 ft up, 1000 ft down

Species Present	Abundance	Status
Rainbow Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Vallowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stock with some natural reproduction

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	4 150 in 2019: 4 150 in 2018	4.150 in 2020: 4.150 in 2021	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Rainbow Trout	2	9.0	8.9-9.2
2018	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	16	8.6	7.6-10.4
2016	Rainbow Trout	10	8.9	6.9-10.3
2016	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	30	8.5	5.4-10.1

**Comments:** Rainbow Lakes is a popular area and sees quite a bit of use. All 6 Rainbow lakes were netted in 2011-2012 to try to remove RB. YCT have been stocked heavily to try to swamp out remaining RB. FWP samples in 2016 and 2018 caught mostly Cutthroat, only a couple Rainbows.

#### Rainbow Lake #4

Drainage: Boulder Access: From the Box Canyon Trailhead take trails #27/28/211 to the Rainbow Lakes.

Elevation: 9407 ft Access also by using the Upsidedown Trail.

Location: 45.26238, -110.12912 (Map) Camp sites: There are good places to camp but firewood is picked over.

Marcuson's Code: 20

 Section:
 6S13E32
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 10.52 acres
 Box Canyon
 10 mi (10 on trail)
 2600 up, 100 down

 Depth:
 35ft (Max)
 Upside Down Creek
 10 mi (10 on trail)
 3700 ft up, 1000 ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Rainbow Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stock, with some natural reproduction

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	5,250 in 2019; 5,250 in 2018	5,250 in 2020; 5,250 in 2021

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Rainbow Trout	22	7.5	4.8-10.4
2018	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	12	8.9	7.4-10.4
2016	Rainbow Trout	10	8.6	6.7-11.7
2016	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	25	8.6	4.1-10.6

**Comments:** All 6 Rainbow Lakes were netted in 2011 and 2012 to remove RB. YCT have been stocked heavily to try to swamp out remaining RB. FWP samples in 2016 and 2018 caught Rainbow and Cutthroat.

#### **Rainbow Lake 5**

Drainage: Boulder Access: From the Box Canyon Trailhead take trails #27/28/211 to the Rainbow Lakes.

**Elevation:** 9679 ft Access also by using the Upsidedown Trail.

Location: 45.27304, -110.12117 (Map) Camp sites: Many well used campsites. Firewood is picked over.

Marcuson's Code: 21

Yellowstone Cutthroat

 Section:
 6S13E33
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 5.85 acres
 Box Canyon
 11.75 mi (11.75 on trail)
 2650 up, 150 down

 Depth:
 12ft (Max)
 Upsidedown Trail
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Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	Status	<u>s</u>
Rainbow Trout	Common	Self-S	Sustained

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	2,900 in 2019; 2,900 in 2018	2,900 in 2020; 2,900 in 2021

<u>Surveys</u>	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Rainbow Trout	1	9.6	9.6-9.6
2018	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	14	8.7	7.3-11.7
2016	Rainbow Trout	2	9.5	8.9-10.1
2016	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	18	8.9	7.8-9.8

**Comments:** The Rainbow Lakes were netted in 2011 and 2012 to remove RB. YCT have been stocked heavily to try to swamp out remaining RB. FWP samples in 2016 and 2018 caught mostly Cutthroats, only a couple Rainbow.

Common

# Rainbow Lake 6

Drainage: Boulder Access: From the Box Canyon Trailhead take trails #27/28/211 to the Rainbow Lakes.

Elevation: 9765 ft

Access also by using the Upsidedown Trail.

Location: 45.27612, -110.11729 (Map)

Camp sites: Many well used campsites. Firewood is limited.

Marcuson's Code: 22

 Section:
 6S13E28
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 1.83 acres
 Box Canyon
 11.75 mi (11.75 on trail)
 2650 up, 150 down

 Depth:
 10ft (Max)
 Upsidedown Trail
 11.75 mi (11.75 on trail)
 3750 ft up, 1150 ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Rainbow Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stock, with some natural reproduction

Stocking Data	Historic	Planned
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	900 in 2019; 900 in 2018	900 in 2020; 900 in 2021

Surveys	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2016	Rainbow Trout	# 01 11311	O F	7.0-11.3
		4	9.5	
2016	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	13	8.5	5.0-11.3
2007	Rainhow Trout	5	77	5 8-8 5

**Comments:** This lake is a wide spot in the creek. Rainbow Lakes were netted in 2011 and 2012 to remove RB. Also YCT are being stocked heavily to swamp out remaining RB.

Stock, with some natural reproduction

#### Rainbow Lake 7

Drainage: Boulder Access: From the Box Canyon Trailhead take trails #27/28/211 to the Rainbow Lakes. Elevation: 9732 ft

Access also by using the Upsidedown Trail. Headwater lake on e Rainbow

Location: 45.27582, -110.11237 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 23

Section: 6S13E28 Size: 8.24 acres Depth: 24ft (Max) Camp sites: Many well used campsites. No firewood.

**Distance Elevation Change Trailhead** Box Canyon 12 mi (12 on trail) 2650 up, 150 down Upsidedown Trail 12 mi (12 on trail) 3750 ft up, 1150 ft down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Rainbow Trout Common Self-Sustained Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Stock, with some natural reproduction

Stocking Data **Historic Planned** Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 4,100 in 2019; 4,100 in 2018

Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys **Species** # of fish 2018 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 34 9.0 6.1-10.9 2016 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 28 9.0 7.3-10.5

Comments: All Rainbow Lakes were netted in 2011 and 2012 to remove RB. YCT were stocked heavily to try to swamp out remaining RB. No RB were caught in FWP surveys in 2016 and 2018.

#### Silver Lake

Drainage: Boulder Access: Hike up Fourmile Creek on Trail #22 test #149 from the Forest Service cabin

Elevation: 9138 ft on the Boulder River.

Location: 45.36095, -110.3499 (Map) Camp sites: Excellent camping but firewood getting picked over by campers.

Marcuson's Code: 42

**Section:** 05S11E34

Size: 10.0 acres **Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** Depth: 8ft (Ave), 30ft (Max) Fourmile Creek 10.5 mi (10.5 on trail) 3100 up, 200 down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Self-Sustained Stocking Data **Planned** <u>Historic</u> **Cutthroat Trout** 10,560 in 1931 Rainbow Trout 500 in 1989; 12,000 in 1939 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 1,000 in 2012; 1,000 in 2011

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2015	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	14	9.2	7.1-11.1
2012	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	19	9.3	6.9-14.2

Comments: The lake receives heavy use.

Silver Lake was part of the Upper Boulder Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout restoration effort and from 2007 to 2009 gill nets were used to remove rainbow trout. Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout were stocked until 2012, when they became self-sustaining. Many fish were observed rising during the 2015 survey despite the relatively low number of fish sampled (14 captured).

The outlet has good spawning habitat and the spawning habitat at the inlet is fair.

# **Speculator Lake**

Drainage: Boulder Access: Best to access from Silver Lake. Get to silver on Trail #22 test #149 up

Elevation: 9578 ft Fourmile Creek from the forest service station on the boulder river. Good Trail

but deadfall makes the hike difficult.

**Location:** 45.37641, -110.34424 (Map) Camp sites: Questionable campsites. Scarce firewood. Better below.

Marcuson's Code: 45

Section: 05S11E27 Size: 9.7 acres

Depth: 21ft (Ave), 35ft (Max)

<u>Trailhead</u>	<u>Distance</u>	Elevation Change
Fourmile Creek	12 mi (10.5 on trail)	4300 up, 600 down
Speculator Creek	9.5 mi (6.5 on trail)	3900 ft up, 0 ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Abundant	Stocked
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	1,455 in 2016; 1,450 in 2008	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)	
2014	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	45	12.5	9.2-16.7	
2006	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	22	13.1	10.3-14.5	

Comments: Multiple year classes of Yellowstone cutthroat trout present. Fish were easily caught with hook and line for the survey.

Fish were in good condition and only a couple skinny fish were sampled. In 2015, 19 of the 61 fish sample was obtained by

angling for 2.7 hours.

# **Squeeze Lake**

Drainage: Boulder Access: Easy access from Mirror/Rainbow Lakes. The Upsidedown Trail and Box

Elevation: 9591 ft Canyon Trail both can be used to get you most of the way but the last part of Location: 45.29167, -110.14558 (Map)

the trip is cross country hiking.

Marcuson's Code: 5 Camp sites: Some campsites and lots of firewood.

**Section: 06S13E19 Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Size: 7.0 acres Upsidedown Trail 13.5 mi (11.5 on trail) 3770 up, 670 down Depth: 20ft (Ave), 22ft (Max) Box Canyon Trail 15.5 mi (13.5 on trail) 2859 ft up, 100 ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stocked
Stocking Data	Historic	Planned
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	700 in 2019· 700 in 2011	

Surveys	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	8	12.5	10.2-14.8
2016	No Fish Caught	0		
2016	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	13	9.6	7.3-11.6

Comments: In 2016 the mountain lakes crew sampled with 2 nets set for 2.5 hrs and angling. The nets caught no fish but angling caught 13 YCT in 4 hrs. The fishing was pretty good for decent size YCT. In 2018 the crew sampled again with netting and angling finding fewer fish that had not grown very much.

#### **Trout Lake**

Drainage: Boulder Access: Near the boulder river road north of hillary bridge. Just east of the boulder

Elevation: 6196 ft

Location: 45.33742, -110.23027 (Map) Camp sites: Questionable camping. No firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 37

Section: 06S12E4

Size:0.9 acresIrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:3ft (Ave), 5ft (Max)None - Vehicle Access0 mi (0 on trail)0 up, 0 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stocked

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Cutthroat Trout
 2,940 in 1956

 Rainbow Trout
 602 in 1984; 500 in 1983

 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 200 in 2019; 191 in 2018
 200 in 2020; 200 in 2021

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2008	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	8	10.3	7.3-14.0
1996	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	7	9.0	8.3-10.8

**Comments:** Planted yearly with ct. Good supply of freshwater shrimp. Crayfish present. Subject to winterkill. Small pond with easy access. Cabin on lake. Camping in nearby campgrounds.

Stocked every year. Planted fish are generally large test small catchables. '93 - 14.6". '95 - 13.9". '96 - 6.1 test 13.9". '97 - 6.7". '98 - 7.5 test 10.6", '99 - 6.5 test 13.8", '00 - 6.3 test 12.0", '01 - 7.3 test 11.6", '02 - 9.8 test 11.3", 03-08 7-11"

No sign of larger fish in '96. Sample before the yearly plant to assess overwinter survival.

# **Upper Mcknight Lake**

Drainage: Boulder Access: Hike up Davis Creek on Usfs Trail #38 then cross country up to the lake. See

Elevation: 9200 ft lake mcknight also.

Location: 45.48847, -110.4475 (Map) Camp sites: Good camp spots, some firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 89

**Section:** 04S10E14

Size:3.4 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:9ft (Ave), 20ft (Max)West Boulder, Davis Cr12.5 mi (10.5 on trail)3584 up, 0 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Golden Trout		Common		Stocked	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Golden Trout		17	10.6	8.3-16.5
2009	Golden Trout		41	12.1	9.2-14.8

Comments: See comments for lake mcknight. The mcknight lakes may be accessed directly up the outlet stream, but it is very steep, with lots of deadfalls and rock slides to negotiate. 2017 sample 5 hr day net set. GT seem to be Self Susstaining

#### Weasel Lake #48

**Drainage:** Boulder **Access:** Hike Up Trail #18 along great Falls Creek, then south x-country thru saddle.

Elevation: 9441 ft Then side hill up the valley to the lakes.

Location: 45.40954, -110.30182 (Map) Camp sites: Many camping sites. Plenty of firewood. There appears to be little use here.

Marcuson's Code: 48

Section: 5S11E12

Size:8.28 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:75ft (Max)Great Falls Creek10 mi (7.75 on trail)4800 up, 400 down

Species Prese	<u>nt</u>	Abundance		Status	
Yellowstone Cutthroat		Common		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave I ength (in)	Range (in)

SurveysSpecies# of fishAve Length (in)Range (in)2018Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout519.75.0-12.02009Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout109.36.1-10.8

**Comments:** There are 7 Lakes in the chain. Two have fish. #48 has a self-sustaining CT population and #51 is stocked. MTFWP crew angled both lakes in 2018. Fishing was very good for average sized cutthroat. Fish were spawning where inlet comes in from #51.

#### Weasel Lake #51

**Drainage:** Boulder **Elevation:** 9872 ft

Access: Hike Up Trail #18 along great Falls Creek, then south x-country thru saddle.

Then side hill up the valley to the lakes.

Location: 45.41262, -110.31047 (Map)

Camp sites: There are a few flat spots near the outlet and very little wood. It is best to

camp at #48.

Marcuson's Code: 51
Section: 5S11E12

Size: 5.79 acres
Depth: 35ft (Max)

Trailhead <u>Distance</u> <u>Elevation Change</u>
Great Falls Creek 10 mi (7.75 on trail) 4800 up, 400 down

Species PresentAbundanceStatusYellowstone CutthroatCommonStocked

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	79	12.0	8.4-13.9
2009	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	29	13.4	7.7-16.2

Comments: There are 7 Lakes in the chain. Two have fish. #48 has a self-sustaining pop. #51 is stocked. Both were sampled in 2018 and

found good numbers of average sized cutthroat. Scenic place but access is not a cake walk!

#### **West Boulder Lake**

Drainage: Boulder Access: Take Trail #22 from fourmile 7 miles to Silver Lake. Head x-country n Along

Elevation: 9794 ft Creek to next lake. Then climb west thru a saddle and drop into lake.

Location: 45.37663, -110.36064 (Map) Camp sites: There are few good places to camp but there is no firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 75

**Section:** 05S11E27

Size:13.0 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:26ft (Ave), 55ft (Max)Fourmile Creek9 mi (7 on trail)4500 up, 500 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Yellowstone Cutthroat
 Common
 Stocked

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Golden Trout
 5,000 in 1958

 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 1,300 in 2019; 1,300 in 2011

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2017
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 17
 15.0
 14.2-15.9

 2009
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 21
 15.7
 13.2-17.6

Comments: 2017 FWP survey obtained with angling. Great fishing for fat, healthy fish.

#### **Abandoned Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Trail 614/620 from Island Lake on Hwy 212. The lake is 7 miles north test

Elevation: 10045 ft west of Island Lake. Elevation change 600'.

Location: 45.00942, -109.60332 (Map)

Camp sites: Nice campsites but no firewood. Above treeline.

Marcuson's Code: 243

Section: 9S17E26 Size: 9.65 acres

Size:9.65 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:8ft (Ave), 25ft (Max)Island Lake Wyo.7 mi (5 on trail)600 up, 0 down

Species Present Brook Trout		Abundance Abundant		Status Self-Sustained	
<u>Surveys</u>	Species	Abulidani	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Brook Trout		34	8.0	4.7-10.6
2008	Brook Trout		67	8.6	5.7-10.5

**Comments:** Abandoned Lake is a typical brookie lake. Plenty of fish that are fairly small. Some harvest could help this lake. The 2018 FWP sample was obtained with angling and found smaller fish that were in good shape, not stunted.

# **Albino Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: Trail #614/620 from Island Lake on Hwy 212 will take you past Flake Lake

Elevation: 9994 ft then north between Mutt and Jeff Lakes and along east side of Becker Lake.

Location: 45.01491, -109.58117 (Map) Camp sites: Some camping - very little firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 245 Section: 09S17E25

 Size:
 39.2 acres
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Depth:
 48ft (Ave), 149ft (Max)
 Island Lake #614/620
 6 mi (6 on trail)
 500 up, 50 down

Species Present **Abundance** Status Yellowstone Cutthroat Abundant Stocked Stocking Data **Historic** Planned **Brook Trout** 5,000 in 1940 **Cutthroat Trout** 2,110 in 1959 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 7,340 in 2019; 7,840 in 2015 7,840 in 2023

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	14	8.0	5.7-14.2
2016	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	43	12.6	8.8-15.0

Comments: A popular, stocked Lake. In 2016 FWP set 2 nets for 2 hrs each, both caught plenty of YCT 10-14 inches. Some reproduction

may be taking place.

Yellowstone Cutthroat

#### Alp Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: Trails from the Beartooth Butte area on Hwy 212 serve the area. The lake is

Elevation: 9597 ft NE of GreenLake.

**Location:** 45.05423, -109.64822 (Map) **Camp sites:** Firewood is scarce. Campsites are nearby.

Marcuson's Code: 200 Section: 09S17E8

 ection:
 09S17E8
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 2.8 acres
 Clay Butte
 14 mi (9 on trail)
 1100 up, 800 down

 Depth:
 14ft (Ave), 25ft (Max)
 Beartooth Lake
 16 mi (11 on trail)
 900 ft up, 200 ft down

Common

Species Present Abundance Self-Sustained

Species Present Common Self-Sustained

Stocking Data Historic Planned
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 311 in 1987; 319 in 1979

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Brook Trout	18	7.6	6.5-8.7
2017	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	6	12.6	8.2-14.1
2006	Brook Trout	25	7.0	6.0-8.0
2006	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	10	11.8	8.5-14.5

**Comments:** 2017 sample was obtained with angling. There is spawning gravel in both inlet and outlet and some CT reproduction is occurring. There is no short way to Alp Lake. Can also get to this Lake from Ivy Lake Jeep Trail #130 Crazy Crk. Trail #568 hiking past Farley and Elaine

Self-Sustained

#### Anchor Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Approximately 8 miles NE of Kersey Lake via Canyon Lake or 12 miles from Elevation: 9997 ft

Kersey via Russel test Otter lakes. North of Jorden Lake.

**Location:** 45.05715, -109.70836 (Map) Camp sites: No firewood. Questionable camp spots.

Marcuson's Code: 124

Section: 09S16E11

Size: 12.0 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 32ft (Ave), 90ft (Max) Ivy Lake Jp Trail #130 9.5 mi (8.25 on trail) 2700 up, 700 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Golden Trout		Common		Unknown	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2016	Golden Trout		1	12.4	12.4-12.4
2010	Golden Trout		11	11.7	9.5-14.6

Comments: GT are stocked in Desolation and Big Butte, some drift down to Anchor. FWP netting caught 1 GT in 2007, 11 GT in 2010, and

1 GT 2016.

# **Aquarius Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Cross country hike up Sedge Creek or an old Abandoned Trail leaving USFS

Elevation: 9187 ft Trail #567 between Twin-russel Lake. No good trail and the access is fairly

**Location:** 45.05729, -109.81077 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 63 Camp sites: Good campsites and firewood available. Fires have burned near the lake.

**Section:** 09S15E12

Size: 11.6 acres **Elevation Change Trailhead Distance** Depth: 21ft (Ave), 65ft (Max) Clarks Fork 5.75 mi (4 on trail) 1280 up, 0 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Self-Sustained	
a a.		51	
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>	
Arctic Grayling	20,000 in 1955		
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	600 in 1977; 2,000 in 1970		
renowstone Cultinoat Trout	000 111 1977, 2,000 111 1970		

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2015	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	33	10.5	7.2-15.2
2007	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	8	9.9	7.0-12.5

Comments: A pretty lake that receives quite a bit of fishing use.

#### Astral Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Either from the Goose Lake jeep road or up Star Creek from the Broadwater

Elevation: 9397 ft

Location: 45.09316, -109.9018 (Map) Camp sites: Campsites and firewood limited.

Marcuson's Code: 24

Section: 08S15E31

**Elevation Change** Size: 5.2 acres **Trailhead Distance** Depth: 2ft (Ave), 4ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeep Trail .75 mi (0 on trail) 50 up, 300 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Abundant		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2014	Brook Trout		43	7.4	6.1-9.0

2008 **Brook Trout** 25 7.4 6.0-9.1 Comments: Astral is a pretty lake with an abundant brook trout population that is easy to catch. The legal harvest of brook trout is encouraged here.

The 2014 sampled was obtained by 3 hours of angling.

#### **Bald Knob Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Excellent Usfs Trail from Kersey Lake.

**Elevation:** 9420 ft **Camp sites:** Pretty good camping at Bald Knob Lake. Firewood available.

Location: 45.07808, -109.79463 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 81

**Section:** 09S16E6

 Size:
 38.4733 acres
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Depth:
 38ft (Ave), 38ft (Max)
 Clarks Fork
 8.5 mi (8.5 on trail)
 1560 up, 280 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Common		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Brook Trout		10	7.4	5.4-8.1
2008	Brook Trout		41	7.6	5.0-8.6

Comments: FWP survey in 2017 with angling for 15 minutes, small EB easy to catch. No changes since 2008 survey. Angler harvesting

may help.

#### Basin Lake (Picasso Lake)

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: From clarks Fork Trailhead take Trail #3 past Kersey Lake to Trail #567, up

Elevation: 9978 ft Russel Creek past bald knob lake to skull lake then west 1/4 mile.

Location: 45.08614, -109.80836 (Map) Camp sites: There are good camp spots but firewood limited.

Marcuson's Code: 84

Section: 8S15E36

Size:7.38 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:7ft (Ave), 28ft (Max)Clarks Fork9.5 mi (9.25 on trail)1770 up, 150 down

Species Present		Abundance	Status	
Golden Trout		Common Stock, with some natural reproc		natural reproduction
Stocking Data		Historic	Planned	
Golden Trout		3,000 in 2017; 1,000 in 2011 1,620 in 2022		
Yellowstone C	Cutthroat Trout	2,200 in 1971		
Surveys	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2019	Golden Trout	7	10.8	8.0-15.6
2017	Golden Trout	8	12.5	7.8-16.5

**Comments:** FWP sample in 2019 with angling and day net set. Didn't catch any angling Numerous groups of fish seen on redds along the shoreline in 2017. There are golden trout in the pond below (Pablo Lake)

#### **Big Butte Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Approximately 8 miles NE of Kersey Lake via Canyon Lake or 12 miles from

Elevation: 10175 ft Kersey via Russel and Otter Lakes or via Moose Lake Jeep Trail.

Location: 45.0609, -109.7025 (Map) Camp sites: No firewood. A few places to camp.

Marcuson's Code: 125

 Section:
 09S16E12
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 22.1 acres
 Moose Lk Jp Trail #130
 10 mi (8.25 on trail)
 2725 up, 700 down

 Depth:
 14ft (Ave), 55ft (Max)
 Clarks Fork Trailhead
 11.2 mi (4.5 on trail)
 2089 ft up, None ft down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Golden Trout
 Unknown
 Stocked

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Golden Trout
 2,210 in 2017; 2,200 in 2012
 2,210 in 2023

 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 7,500 in 1968

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2016	No Fish Caught	0		
2015	No Fish Caught	0		

**Comments:** No fish caught in 2015 or 2016. 2015 sample was a 6.5 hr daytime gillnet set and 4 hours of angling. 2016 was overnight net set. No signs of fish were observed. No fish were observed during the 1988 and 1990 survey. GT spawning in outlet in '10.

# **Big Moose Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: Trail #3 from Kersey Lake or 4x4 road from beartooth highway.

Elevation: 7990 ft

Camp sites: There are several large campsites and plenty of firewood.

**Location:** 45.00448, -109.76617 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 70

Section: 09S16E33

Size:83.8 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:46ft (Max)Clarks Fork8 mi (8 on trail)300 up, 350 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Rainbow Trout	Common	Self-Sustained

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	No Fish Caught	0		
2018	Rainbow Trout	4	14.5	13.6-15.4
1981	Brook Trout	6	7.3	6.5-8.7
1981	Rainbow Trout	17	11.1	6.9-15.6

Comments: Only 1/3 of the lake is in Montana. Big Moose is a big lake, tough to set a net. MTFWP crew angled 4 RB from near the inlet in

2018. Some smaller fish were observed.

#### **Bob Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: The lake is 1/4 mile west of the Goose Lake Jeep Trail at a mid-point between

Elevation: 9571 ft long and star lakes. Hike is ~8 miles without a 4-wheel drive

Location: 45.08656, -109.91781 (Map) Camp sites: Camping sites and firewood exist.

Marcuson's Code: 12

**Section:** 08S15E31

Size:2.3 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:6ft (Ave), 15ft (Max)Goose Lake Jeep Trail.25 mi (0 on trail)100 up, 0 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Abundant	Self-Sustained

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Cutthroat Trout	16,800 in 1936	

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2013	Brook Trout	14	7.8	6.7-8.7
1996	Brook Trout	10	7.4	6.4-8.5

Comments: Fish were stunted. The lake is outside the a-b wilderness. Fish move freely between Bob and Dick Lakes.

The 2013 survey was obtained using anling for 1 hour

#### **Broadwater Lake**

**Drainage:** Clarks Fork **Access:** Kersey Lake Trail #567 to jeep Trail #306 to Broadwater River Trail #564. **Elevation:** 8623 ft

Fight through some burned deadfalls on east shore of curl lake to isthmus.

Location: 45.06017, -109.84858 (Map) Camp sites: Plenty of firewood and campsites available. E. Side burned '88

Rare

Marcuson's Code: 23

Section: 09S15E10

Size:93.6 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:64ft (Max)Clarks Fork5 mi (4.25 on trail)600 up. 100 down

: 64ff (Max)	Clarks Fork	5 mi (4.25 on traii)	600 up, 100 down	
Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>S</u>	Status	
Brook Trout	Common	S	Self-Sustained	

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	Planned
Brook Trout	7,500 in 1933	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	1,000 in 2014; 7,875 in 2003	

Unknown

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2014	Brook Trout	38	8.6	3.9-16.5
2014	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	1	17.3	17.3-17.3
2004	Brook Trout	7	11.1	9.3-12.5

**Comments:** There is little evidence of human use here.

Yellowstone Cutthroat

Yellowstone cutthroat trout present in very low abundance but the one sampled was in very good condition.

#### **Broadwater Meadow**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Jeep road near chief joseph campground on Hwy 212 approximately 3 miles

Elevation: 8394 ft east of cooke city.

Location: 45.04362, -109.8478 (Map) Camp sites: Firewood and campsites available.

Marcuson's Code: 1

Section: 09S15E15

Size: 10.88 acres Trailhead Distance Elevation Change Depth: 4ft (Max) Clarks Fork 3.25 mi (3.25 on trail) 300 up, 100 down

Species Present **Abundance Status Brook Trout** Abundant Self-Sustained

Comments: Brook trout are abundant but small. Occasional cutthroat and grayling are seen.

Too shallow to set net. Sample with hook and line if needed.

#### **Burnt Bacon Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Trails from Hwy 212 near Beartooth Butte. Lake is SE of Lake elaine. NE 1/4

Elevation: 8994 ft mile from the north point of granite Lake.

Location: 45.01216, -109.65922 (Map) Camp sites: No real good campsites but lots of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 231

**Section:** 09S17E29 **Elevation Change Trailhead Distance** Size: 15.0 acres Clay Butte 8.5 mi (8 on trail) 330 up, 900 down Muddy Creek Depth: 18ft (Ave), 46ft (Max) 9.5 mi (9 on trail) 870 ft up, 0 ft down

Species Present **Abundance Status** No Fish Captured Unknown Unknown Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in)

2014 No Fish Caught 0 1989 No Fish Caught

Comments: Spawning would be restricted. Beautiful Lake. Was due to be planted with grayling in '84 but no record of the plant can be

found. (plant was cancelled at request of USFS). No survey is going to be conducted unless fish are planted.

Plant grayling when available. Clear with USFS. No sign of '88 fire.

# Canyon Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Trail #567 past Kersey Lake to fox lake then cross Russel Creek and find the

Elevation: 8794 ft primative trail up the west side of farley creek toward canyon lake.

Location: 45.03951, -109.77119 (Map) Camp sites: Plenty of firewood, there are a few decent campsites.

Marcuson's Code: 118

Section: 09S16E17

Size: 65.7 acres **Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** Depth: 22ft (Ave), 87ft (Max) Clarks Fork 6 mi (4.5 on trail) 1000 up, 300 down

Species Present Abundance **Status** Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout X Rainbow Common Self-Sustained

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2019 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 24 11.0 6.7 - 15.12011 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout X Rainbow 16 7.3-15.5 12.3

Comments: Right in the heart of grizzly country! 2019 sample with angling and netting. Fish were tough to catch with rod and reel but the

net caught plenty. Fish appear to be mainly cutthroats with a bit of RB hybridization.

# **Castle Lake (Queer Lake)**

**Drainage:** Clarks Fork **Elevation:** 9594 ft

Location: 45.05089, -109.65799 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 187

**Section:** 9S17E8 **Size:** 20.75 acres **Depth:** 16ft (Ave), 49ft (I Access: Trail #618 4 miles to fork. Then 6 miles to Thiel Lake test on to kidney lake.

Ford Creek at wright lake test take trail to green lake. Head n thru saddle test

up creek.

Camp sites: Plenty of firewood and camping is excellent.

	<u>Trailhead</u>	<u>Distance</u>	Elevation Change
(Max)	Clay Butte	12.5 mi (12 on trail)	1300 up, 600 down
(IVIAA)	Muddy Creek	13.7 mi (12.2 on trail)	1444 ft up, None ft down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Common		Self-Sustained	
<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Brook Trout		25	5.9	4.6-9.6
2006	Brook Trout		26	7.9	6.5-11.0

**Comments:** Very pretty place. Good spawning potential in both inlet and outlet. Could also take crazy Lakes Trail #568 that starts near ivy lake (ivy lake jeep trail). Hike past Farley Lake, lake elaine and follow sierra crk. 2017 FWP sample with angling. Lots of tiny

brookies.

# **Cliff Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Elevation: 9381 ft

Location: 45.08604, -109.8633 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 50

Section: 08S15E33

Size: 6.6 acres

Depth: 7ft (Ave), 20ft (Max)

Access: Get off the Goose Lake Jeep Trail just before long lake (trail is on south side

of long lake outlet). Hike east to trail 31then north to sky Top Creek and head southeast(cross sky Top Creek) at the confluence with lower Aero Creek. No

trail exists.

Camp sites: Camping sites and firewood available.

Trailhead	<u>Distance</u>	Elevation Change
Goose Lake Jeep Trail	3.75 mi (3.5 on trail)	710 up, 830 down
Lady Of The Lake #31	5.75 mi (5.5 on trail)	None ft up, None ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Brook Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Stocking Data	Historic	Planned
Arctic Grayling	10,000 in 1955	
Cutthroat Trout	7,500 in 1949	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	1,650 in 1977	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Brook Trout	9	14.8	14.3-15.1
2006	No Fish Caught	0		

**Comments:** The eb population fluctuates by periodic winterkill. The fishery will always be changing and/or may die out in a hard winter.

Periodic winterkill is allowing fish to grow larger by keeping population numbers low. Spawning areas are not evident. MFWP sampled in 06 no fish netted or seen seen. 2012 survey caught 9 EB in 14.5 hr net set.

# **Cloverleaf Lake 215**

**Drainage:** Clarks Fork **Elevation:** 10194 ft

Access: 8 miles up from Island Lake. Good Trail to golden lake then over the hill

Status

northwest.

**Abundance** 

Location: 45.03008, -109.61979 (Map)

Camp sites: Some flat spots for camping. Firewood is non-existent.

Marcuson's Code: 215

Section: 9S17E22

Size: 13.5 acres
Depth: 24ft (Ave), 66ft (Max)

Species Present

<u>Trailhead</u> <u>Distance</u> <u>Elevation Change</u> Island Lake Wy 8.5 mi (6 on trail) 1000 up, 200 down

Yellowstone Cutthroat		Abundant	Abundant		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)	
2013	Yellowstone Cutt	hroat Trout	21	10.7	6.6-13.1	
2005	Yellowstone Cutt	hroat Trout	20	10.1	7.5-14.5	

Comments: This area has become a 'destination' type area. Many campers come and go. '75 plant of 29,726 CT's was distributed between

#'s 215, 216, test 223.

Plants of CT's went into These Lakes in 1936 and 1967. Lot's of mountain goats in this area. Watch out for your camp stuff! Better camping down by wall or Martin Lakes. During 2013 survey spawning was observed at inlet and outlet.

#### Cloverleaf Lake 216

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: 8 miles up from Island Lake. Good Trail to golden lake then over the hill

Elevation: 10194 ft northwest.

Location: 45.03439, -109.61496 (Map) Camp sites: Some flat spots for camping. Firewood is non-existent.

Marcuson's Code: 216

Section: 9S17E22

Size:19.37 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:10ft (Ave), 30ft (Max)Island Lake Wy8.5 mi (6 on trail)1000 up, 200 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Abundant	Self-Sustained

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)	
2013	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	27	10.8	6.7-13.0	
1992	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	81	10.5	6.8-14.7	

Comments: This area has become a 'destination' type area. Many campers come and go. '75 plant of 29,726 CT's was distributed between

#'s 215, 216, and 223. Fish are reproducing well.

#### **Cloverleaf Lake 217**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: 8 miles up from Island Lake. Good Trail to golden lake then over the hill

Elevation: 10194 ft northwe

Location: 45.03587, -109.61029 (Map) Camp sites: Flat spots at three lower lakes. Firewood non-existent. Shore is all boulders.

Marcuson's Code: 217 Section: 9S17E22

Size:2.09 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:5ft (Ave), 12ft (Max)Island Lake Wy8.5 mi (6 on trail)1000 up, 200 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Yellowstone Cutthroat
 Abundant
 Self-Sustained

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

1992 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 35 9.8 5.9-13.4

Comments: This area has become a 'destination' type area. Many campers come and go. This lake is actually a wide spot in the creek.

YCT spawn in streams between lakes. Fish are reproducing well and appear healthy. No management changes. Plants of CT's went into these lakes in 1936, 1967 and 1975.

#### **Cloverleaf Lake 223**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: 8 miles up from Island Lake. Good Trail to golden lake then over the hill

Elevation: 10194 ft northwes

Location: 45.02962, -109.615 (Map) Camp sites: Few flat spots for camping. No shelter. Firewood is non-existent.

Marcuson's Code: 223

Section: 9S17E22

Size:22.86 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:24ft (Ave), 65ft (Max)Island Lake Wy8.5 mi (6 on trail)1000 up, 200 down

24ft (Ave), 65ft (Max) Island Lake Wy 8.5 mi (6 on trail) 1000 up, 200 down

Species Present Abundance Status

Yellowstone Cutthroat Abundant Self-Sustained

Stocking DataHistoricPlannedCutthroat Trout8,400 in 1936Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout29,722 in 1975; 3,000 in 1967

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2013
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 30
 13.4
 8.5-17.2

 1992
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 21
 11.9
 6.2-16.0

Comments: This area has become a 'destination' type area. Many campers come and go. '75 plant of 29,726 CT's was distributed between

#'s 215, 216, and 223.

Fish are reproducing well. Plants of CT's went into these lakes in 1936 and 1967. In 2002 fish were in very good shape.

# **Companion Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Companion Lake is on the Goose Lake Jeep Trail near long lake. Easy

access. Without a 4-wheel drive the hike is about 2.5 miles.

Location: 45.08243, -109.90269 (Map) Camp sites: There are many campsites and firewood is available.

Marcuson's Code: 15

Section: 09S15E6

Elevation: 9394 ft

Size: 7.0845 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth: 8ft (Ave), 24ft (Max)Goose Lake Jeep Trail.25 mi (0 on trail)0 up, 0 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Common	Self-Sustained

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2014	Brook Trout	25	8.4	6.3-10.3
2008	Brook Trout	23	7.4	5.1-9.2

Comments: Lots of small brook trout. Legal harvest is encouraged.

The 2014 sample was obtained by angling 6 hours.

# **Copeland Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Head north on Trail #568/612 from the Ivy Lake jeep trail. Trail #612 to

**Elevation:** 8767 ft copeland splits off up 2 miles.

Location: 45.00616, -109.72645 (Map) Camp sites: Plenty of firewood. Many nice camp spots.

Marcuson's Code: 151

 Section:
 09S16E35
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 36.0 acres
 Ivy Lake Jeep Trail
 2.5 mi (2.5 on trail)
 1000 up, 150 down

 Depth:
 125ft (Max)
 Crazy Creek
 6 mi (6 on trail)
 1717 ft up, None ft down

: 125ft (Max)	Crazy Creek	6 mi (6 on trail)	1717 ft up, None ft down
Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Abundant		Self-Sustained

Self-Sustained

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Cutthroat Trout	21,000 in 1934	

Abundant

Surveys	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Brook Trout	10	9.7	7.6-13.8
1994	Brook Trout	57	7.8	5.9-10.1

Comments: The lake is near the montana-wyoming state line. Spawning areas in inlets and outlet not observed. Reproduction is taking

place all too well though.

**Brook Trout** 

'94 - many fish and fry seen cruising and rising. Fish are stunted.

#### **Corner Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: Goose Lake Jeep Trail to within 1/4 mile of the lake. A 4-wheeler can make it

Elevation: 9292 ft to the lake but not a sport utility. 2 mile hike from Fisher Creek.

Location: 45.07177, -109.89961 (Map) Camp sites: Plenty of firewood and campsites available.

Marcuson's Code: 7

Section: 09S15E5

Size: 11.1 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth: 15ft (Ave), 42ft (Max)Goose Lake Jeep Trail.25 mi (.25 on trail)0 up, 0 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Lake Chub	Common	Self-Sustained	
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Self-Sustained	

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>	
Vellowstone Cutthroat Trout	500 in 2018: 1 002 in 1980		

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Lake Chub	3		
2018	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	2	10.0	9.5-10.5
2011	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	11	11.0	6.5-14.0

Comments: Decent fishing for average sized YCT. Fish appear healthy. Lake Chubs are present.

#### **Cradle Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: Head to Russel Lake on a Good Trail from Kersey Lake then head northeast

Elevation: 9728 ft cross country.

Location: 45.06991, -109.77385 (Map) Camp sites: Camp spots are few and far between with little fuel.

Marcuson's Code: 95

Section: 09S16E5

Size:2.9 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:16ft (Ave), 37ft (Max)Clarks Fork8.25 mi (6.5 on trail)2000 up, 300 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Rainbow Trout	Common	Self-Sustained

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)	
2012	Rainbow Trout	7	10.0	7.7-14.8	
2007	Rainbow Trout	3	8.5	7.0-11.0	

Comments: Rainbow planted in Gallery Lake find their way to cradle lake. In '87 they averaged 3.7" longer than the Gallery Lake fish.

Sample along with Gallery Lake.

Spawning may be possible in the inlet. D. Hagenston 8-28-89 - 13" rb's. Dave hergenrider caught 25 rb's ~12" 1992.

Fish were very thin in 2002. Sample to assess reproduction.

Very Nice Lake, deep and cold. Access is fairly easy. Fwp sampled 07 3 fish, fat. 2012 survey 16 hr. set 7 Rb caught.

7 Rb caught.

Assess reproduction and consider stocking with Yct.

# **Crystal Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Trails from the Beartooth Butte area on Hwy 212 serve the area. The lake is

**Elevation:** 9952 ft NE of Lake Elaine.

Location: 45.04957, -109.64036 (Map) Camp sites: A few campsites. Little use. Some firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 202

**Section:** 09S17E16

Size:27.5 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:34ft (Ave), 85ft (Max)Clay Butte13.0 mi (12 on trail)1600 up, 600 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stock, with some natural reproduction

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	2,445 in 2018; 2,750 in 2010	2,750 in 2025

<u>Surveys</u>	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	15	12.0	6.7-13.9
2008	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	12	12.2	8.7-15.4

**Comments:** No evident spawning areas but reproduction is occurring. FWP sample in 2017 fishing was slow but many fish were rising in middle. 2 YCT were angled, 13 caught in net. Surveyed 08 5 fish angled in 45 min.

#### **Curl Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Kersey Lake Trail #567 to jeep Trail #306 to Broadwater River Trail #564.

Elevation: 8544 ft Fight thru burned deadfalls on east shore to isthmus for campsite.

Location: 45.05452, -109.84023 (Map) Camp sites: Some campsites available but limited due to downfall. Firewood is abundant.

Marcuson's Code: 22 Section: 09S15E15

Size:30.6 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:45ft (Max)Clarks Fork4.25 mi (4.25 on trail)600 up, 100 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Abundant		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2014	Brook Trout		60	7.9	5.3-12.1
2004	Brook Trout		11	9.9	8.0-12.1

Comments: The 1988 fires swept through this area and the entire shoreline of Curl Lake was burned. There is a lot of downfall around the

lake.

Brook trout abundance decreased after the fire but recovered by 2002.

#### **Desolation Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: About 14 miles from Kersey Lake. Hike to Russel then head northeast or use Elevation: 10194 ft

the Ivy Lake Jeep Trail trailhead.

Location: 45.06738, -109.71639 (Map) Camp sites: No firewood available. Some places to camp but very rocky.

Marcuson's Code: 127

Section: 09S16E2 **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change Size:** 31.4 acres Ivy Lake Jp Trail #130 10.7 mi (8.25 on trail) 2825 up, 700 down Depth: 24ft (Ave), 75ft (Max) Clarks Fork Trailhead 12 mi (4.5 on trail) 2188 ft up, None ft down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Golden Trout		Common	Stocked	
Stocking Data		<u>Historic</u>	Planned	
Golden Trout		3,140 in 2017; 3,100 in 20	3,140 in 2023	3
Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of f	ish Ave Length (i	in) Range (in)
2015	Golden Trout	32	9.8	7.0-16.6
2010	Golden Trout	31	12.7	9.8-16.9

Comments: The 2015 sample was collected with a 5.5 hour daytime gill net set. In 2015, one of the 33 fish sample was obtained by 6 hours of angling. Fish were challenging to catch with angling.

## Diamond Lake (Cliff Lake)

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Trail #567 past Kersey Lake to fox lake trail. Cross Russel Creek below fox Elevation: 8594 ft

lake and up west side of farley creek. Cross creek below pond and head east

Location: 45.0337, -109.7807 (Map) over saddle

Marcuson's Code: 146 Camp sites: Lots of firewood but flat spots for tents are tough to find. Section: 09S16E20

Size: 15.7823 acres **Trailhead** 

**Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 29ft (Ave), 83ft (Max) Clarks Fork 5.5 mi (4.5 on trail) 900 up, 500 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Arctic Grayling		Abundant		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2019	Arctic Grayling		19	8.8	7.2-11.2
2011	Arctic Grayling		7	10.9	8.7-13.0

Comments: Progeny from Cliff Lake occasionally reach fox lake downstream. The canyon lake (farley Creek) Trail is inundated with deadfalls and would be difficult for even the best hiker. FWP sample in 2019 with angling found grayling from 7-11 inches easy

#### Dick Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: The lake is 1/4 mile west of the Goose Lake Jeep Trail at a mid-point between

Elevation: 9561 ft long and star lakes. Hike is ~8 miles without a 4-wheel drive

Location: 45.08537, -109.91912 (Map) Camp sites: Camping sites and firewood exist.

Marcuson's Code: 13

Section: 08S15E31 Size: 1.9 acres

Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 6ft (Ave), 15ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeep Trail .25 mi (0 on trail) 100 up, 0 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Common		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2013	Brook Trout		12	8.3	6.4-10.1
1996	Brook Trout		12	7.2	5.9-8.5

Comments: The lake is outside the a-b wilderness.

Easy access from the Goose Lake Jeep Trail. Fish seem to be in good condition for self-sustaining brook trout. The 2013 sample was obtained using anling for 2 hours

#### Dollar Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Kersey Lake Trail #567 to jeep Trail #306 to Broadwater River Trail #564. Elevation: 8971 ft

Head x-country before curl lake and up the east side of Sedge Creek.

Location: 45.05145, -109.82018 (Map) Camp sites: Some camp spots . Lots of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 61

**Section:** 09S15E14

Size: 1.1 acres **Trailhead** Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 5ft (Ave), 12ft (Max) Clarks Fork 6 mi (4 on trail) 1100 up, 100 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Self-Sustained

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2011	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	3	10.8	9.7-11.6
1999	Arctic Grayling	3	13.3	11.9-14.4
1999	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	19	8.0	6.0-10.5

Comments: Gr and CT drifted into dollar from aquarius. GR planted in Aquarius Lake in 1955. No sign of GR in 2011 FWP sample.

Average size YCT. In the middle of the 1988 burn, not very pretty.

## **Donelson Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Elevation: 10394 ft Camp sites:

Location: 45.04769, -109.6181 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: None

**Section:** 09S17E15 Size: 19.2405 acres Depth: 9ft (Ave), 8ft (Max)

**Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** 

Species Present		Abundance		<u>Status</u>	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2013	No Fish Caught		0		

Comments: Lake is fishless and should remain so

Surveyed lake in 2013 to confirm lake is still fishless. No fish captured or observed.

#### **Estelle Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Clay Butte Trail #618. Take right fork 4 miles along. Go past Theil test Kidney

Elevation: 9197 ft Lakes to Wright Lake then downstream past Little Falls test Robin Lake ~2

**Location:** 45.02744, -109.67212 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 172 Camp sites: Many nice places to camp. Plenty of firewood available.

**Section:** 09S17E19 **Distance** Elevation Change Size: 18.7 acres 10.5 mi (8.75 on trail) 800 up, 1100 down Clay Butte Depth: 11ft (Ave), 30ft (Max) Muddy Cr/ivy Lake Trls 9.1 mi (7.8 on trail) 1182 ft up. None ft down

		Widday Oliffy Lake The	3.1 mm (7.0 on train)	1102 it up, Hono it down
Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		Status
Brook Trout		Abundant		Self-Sustained
Surveys	Species		# of fich	Ave Length (in) Pange (in)

2015 **Brook Trout** 28 9.7 7.5-18.0 2006 **Brook Trout** 24 7.0 5.5-8.5

Comments: Majority of the fish sampled in the 2015 survey were obtained by 1 hour of angling. Only 3 of the 28 brook trout sampled were collected with a 5 hour daytime gill net set.

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## **Farley Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Trail #568/612 from Ivy Lake jeep Trail #130. Stay on #568 past #631 test

Elevation: 9778 ft #612. #568 goes to Farley Lake.

Location: 45.03512, -109.70772 (Map) Camp sites: Some nice places to camp. Pretty spot. Some firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 167

 Section:
 09S16E24
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 24.0 acres
 Ivy Lake Jp Trail #130
 6.75 mi (6.75 on trail)
 1900 up, 100 down

 Depth:
 13ft (Ave), 35ft (Max)
 Crazy Crk
 9.25 mi (9.25 on trail)
 2900 ft up, 100 ft down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Abundant		Self-Sustained	
<u>Surveys</u>	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2015	Brook Trout		32	9.4	6.5-10.6
2006	Brook Trout		36	10.3	7.3-11.5

Comments: Population size appears to fluctuate from year to year.

Brook trout were abundant in 2015 sample. The 2015 sample was obtained with 6.8 hours of angling.

#### Finger Lake (Hunger Lake)

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: The outlet drains into sky Top Creek near the confluence of lower Aero Creek.

Elevation: 9755 ft No Trail.

Location: 45.08904, -109.84854 (Map) Camp sites: Pretty area for camping. Firewood plentiful.

Marcuson's Code: 47

 Section:
 8S15E34
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 5.39 acres
 Lady Of The Lake Trail
 5.5 mi (4 on trail)
 1700 up, 400 down

 Depth:
 9ft (Ave), 31ft (Max)
 Goose Lake Jeep Trail
 4.5 mi (3.5 on trail)
 1150 ft up, 830 ft down

Species Presen	<u>t</u>	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Abundant		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Brook Trout		18	8.0	6.6-8.9
2005	Brook Trout		42	7.0	6.0-8.0

Comments: 2017 FWP sampled with angling. Typical brookie lake. EB are easy to catch, some fish are stunted. Excellent setting with great

/iews.

## Fizzle Lake (Dead Horse Lake, Windy Lake)

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Usfs Trail #567 from Kersey Lake. The lake is east of Fossil Lake.

Elevation: 9835 ft Camp sites: Some camping spots, but rocky. No firewood.

Location: 45.09489, -109.80758 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 85

Section: 8S15E36

Size:35.82 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:48ft (Max)Clarks Fork9.5 mi (9 on trail)2000 up, 280 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Abundant		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Brook Trout		22	6.9	4.5-7.8
2008	Brook Trout		60	7.9	6.3-9.1

Comments: Fish are overcrowded and are in poor condition. Surveyed 08 and 2017, no change here in 38 years, massive harvesting could

help improve this population.

#### Flat Rock Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: 12 miles north of Beartooth Butte. Several Trails will get you near the lake. Go

**Elevation:** 10329 ft upstream from green lake.

Location: 45.06653, -109.63544 (Map) Camp sites: Best to camp at lower elevations. No firewood or cover at lake.

Marcuson's Code: 190

 Section:
 09S17E4
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 37.0 acres
 Clay Butte
 17 mi (15.5 on trail)
 1370 up, 900 down

 Depth:
 32ft (Ave), 85ft (Max)
 Muddy Creek
 18 mi (16.5 on trail)
 2070 ft up, 160 ft down

n: 3∠π (Ave), 85π (Max)	Muddy Creek	18 mi (16.5 on trail)	2070 π up, 160 π down	
Species Present	Abundance	Sta	atus	
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Abundant	Sto	ocked	
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	Pla	anned	

3,700 in 2012; 3,700 in 2010

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	24	10.8	7.9-15.2
2009	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	31	11.4	9.6-13.4

3,700 in 2022

Comments: 2017 FWP sampled with angling. There were a couple size classes of YCT. YCT were planted in 2010 and 2012

#### Fox Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Usfs Trail #567 from Kersey Lake. Trail from Kersey is excellent. The trail to

Elevation: 8085 ft fox lake forks right off #567 1/4 mile from the lake.

Location: 45.02462, -109.79854 (Map)

Camp sites: Campsites at north end but firewood is tough to find.

Marcuson's Code: 74

**Section:** 09S15E24

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

Size:11.4 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:13ft (Ave), 75ft (Max)Clarks Fork4.5 mi (4.5 on trail)250 up, 250 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Arctic Grayling	Rare	Self-Sustained	
Brook Trout	Abundant	Self-Sustained	
Rainbow Trout	Common	Self-Sustained	

Surveys	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2008	No Fish Caught	0		
1998	Brook Trout	35	8.4	6.2-11.9
1998	Rainbow Trout	2	12.5	10.2-14.7

**Comments:** Last MTFWP survey was in 2008. No fish were caught but rising fish were observed. This is a big lake that is tough to sample with our methods. A few grayling make it down from Cliff Lake.

## Fritter Lake (Hipshot Lake)

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: North from Clay Butte Trailhead past Granite Lake, then NW to Lake Elaine

**Elevation:** 9742 ft and then west to Hipshot.

Location: 45.02884, -109.71566 (Map) Camp sites: A few flat spots to camp at the south end. Firewood is available.

Marcuson's Code: 158

 Section:
 09S16E23
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 9.7063 acres
 Ivy Lake Jeep Road
 6 mi (6 on trail)
 1020 up, None down

 Depth:
 20ft (Ave), 47ft (Max)
 Clarks Fork
 12 mi (10.5 on trail)
 2300 ft up, 550 ft down

Species Present Yellowstone Cutthroat	<u>Abundance</u> Common	<u>Status</u> Stocked	
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2015	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	27	14.7	12.5-19.4
2009	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	2	17.2	16.3-18.1

480 in 2019; 480 in 2011

**Comments:** Hipshot lake generally produces good numbers of nice sized cutthroats. In 2015 a few larger fish were sampled that were either 12 years old or a product of a natural reproduction.

## Fulcrum Lake (Mermaid Lake)

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Along east rosebud-cooke City Trail #567. Mermaid is between skull and Elevation: 9788 ft

Fossil Lakes. Go north over a small ridge from the south side of skull.

Location: 45.0877, -109.79998 (Map) Camp sites: There are level places to camp but no firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 91

Section: 8S15E36

Size: 6.93 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 10ft (Ave), 30ft (Max) Clarks Fork 9.5 mi (9.2 on trail) 2200 up, 150 down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Stocked

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> **Planned** 680 in 2016; 700 in 2006 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2019 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 50 10.9 8.3-16.7 2011 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 12 12.3 11.0-13.2

Comments: This lake is along the Busiest Trail in the beartooths. Stocking was pushed back to 2016 to allow 2 years extra rest. Hopefully

growth will improve. FWP sample in 2019 with angling found good numbers of decent size YCT.

## **Gallery Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Take Trail #567 from the clarks fork trailhead to Russel Lake. Cross the

Elevation: 9994 ft bridge above the lake test head north x-country up a rocky chute.

Location: 45.07517, -109.76382 (Map) Camp sites: No flat spots. Camp below. Scarce firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 96

Section: 09S16E4

Size: 7.4 acres **Trailhead** Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 10ft (Ave), 40ft (Max) Clarks Fork #3 9 mi (6.5 on trail) 2350 up, 300 down

Species Present Abundance Status No Fish Captured Unknown Unknown Stocking Data **Historic Planned** Arctic Grayling 400 in 2020 Rainbow Trout 1,113 in 1997; 1,480 in 1989

Range (in) Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) 2012 No Fish Caught 0 2007 No Fish Caught

Comments: Rainbow were planted to filter downstream into Cradle Lake. That objective has been achieved. Planted with 150/acre in '97. We may lower numbers stocked to 100/acre in 2005. '02 fish were thin.1987 6 rbt 8.7-10.5"

Fish averaged 3.7" smaller than Cradle Lake fish in 1987. D. Hagenston 8/28/89 - 11" rb's. D. Fischer '97 fat 12-13" rb's.

Frozen over 7/7/93. '94 - some reproduction is apparently occurring as a couple of 6" fish were also caught.

2002 - a fish ~15" was observed in the outlet. The outlet is deep and full of large boulders. Cancel further plants to assess

Likely fishless. Consider stocking YCT. 2012 FWP survey zero fish caught in 14.5 hour set.

#### Golden Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Island Lake Trail #614/620 to flake lake. North between mutt test jeff lakes Elevation: 10184 ft and along east side of Becker Lake. Then along s test w sides of albino.

Location: 45.02354, -109.59806 (Map) Camp sites: Campsites scarce - no firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 236

Section: 09S17E23 Size: 48.9 acres

**Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 23ft (Ave), 90ft (Max) Island Lake Wy 7 mi (6 on trail) 850 up. 200 down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Yellowstone Cutthroat Abundant Stocked

Stocking Data **Historic** Planned 2,445 in 2025 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 2,750 in 2018; 2,445 in 2010

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 6.8-13.7 2018 17 11.7 2016 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 10 13.3 6.9-15.4

Comments: Both Golden and Jasper are stocked and fish can easily move between them. 2016 FWP sample caught 12 YCT in 14.5 hr net set. Densities are likely higher than the catch in this net indicates. This area receives quite a bit of use.

#### **Granite Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Look for Muddy Creek Trail #612/568 along the beartooth Hwy, or access

Elevation: 8781 ft from clay butte trail (downhill).

Location: 45.00425, -109.66604 (Map)

Camp sites: Excellent campsites and firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 147

 Section:
 09S17E32
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 228.0 acres
 Clay Butte
 8 mi (8 on trail)
 0 up, 900 down

 Depth:
 125ft (Max)
 Muddy Creek
 7 mi (7 on trail)
 540 ft up, 0 ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Abundant	Self-Sustained
Rainbow Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Rare	Self-Sustained

<u>Surveys</u>	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2019	Brook Trout	5	9.1	7.3-11.5
2019	Rainbow Trout	2	12.3	11.0-13.7
2014	Brook Trout	22	8.7	5.9-11.6
2014	Rainbow Trout	2	9.6	7.5-11.7

**Comments:** The lake straddles the MT and WY state line. This is a big lake that is tough to sample with our methods. The low numbers sampled in 2019 are likely not indicative of the actual population in the lake.

#### **Green Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Accessed either from the Goose Lake Jeep Trail 1/4 mile past star lake or up

Elevation: 9778 ft Star Creek from the lady of the lake trail.

Location: 45.10031, -109.90091 (Map) Camp sites: Campsites and firewood limited.

Marcuson's Code: 25

**Section:** 08S15E30

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Size:4.8 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:7ft (Ave), 16ft (Max)Goose Lake Jeep Trail5 mi (4.5 on trail)50 up, 250 down

Species Preser	<u>nt</u>	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Abundant		Self-Sustained	
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<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>		<u># of fish</u>	<u>Ave Length (in)</u>	<u>Range (in)</u>
2014	Brook Trout		23	9.7	7.6-11.3
1994	Brook Trout		20	8.6	3.8-13.3

Comments: This lake has a sandy bottom with many springs. It is a decent brook trout fishery. Similar to most brook trout lakes, fish in

Green Lake may benefit from harvest.

The 2014 sampled was obtained by angling for 4.5 hours.

#### **Green Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: Clay Butte Trail #618 4 miles to Thiel Lake Trail #619. 6 miles to thiel then to kidney test wright. Ford stream test head up trail to trail lake. Green's beyond.

Location: 45.0339, -109.66368 (Map)

Crazy lakes is best past copeland, farley test lake elaine

Marcuson's Code: 173 Camp sites: Some camping spots, plenty of firewood available.

 Section:
 09S17E20
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 35.7 acres
 Clay Butte
 11.25 mi (11.25 on trail)
 1000 up, 600 down

 Crazy Lakes
 None mi (None on trail)
 None ft up, None ft down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Brook Trout
 Abundant
 Self-Sustained

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Brook Trout
 11,900 in 1937

Surveys	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Brook Trout	6	9.8	9.1-10.5
1995	Brook Trout	49	8.2	5.9-11.1

**Comments:** Very scenic. Mosquitoes abundant. This is a popular lake in the a-b wilderness. Water code #22-8037 '95 fish were average to thin. 2012 FWP set net for 3.5 hrs. caught zero EBT all 6 fish caught angling.

#### Gus Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Elevation: 9997 ft

Location: 45.0038, -109.61035 (Map)

Species Present

Marcuson's Code: 240

Section: 09S17E34 Size: 16.7 acres Depth: 19ft (Max) Access: Trail #614/620 from Island Lake on Hwy 212. The lake is just west of

lonesome lake on the montana-wyoming state line. Easy access from

**Status** 

lonesome.

**Abundance** 

Camp sites: The lake is above timberline.

<u>I</u>	<u>railhead</u>	<u>Distance</u>	Elevation Change
Is	sland Lake Wyo.	7 mi (4 on trail)	800 up, 0 down

Brook Trout		Abundant		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		<u># of fish</u>	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Brook Trout		30	8.6	6.5-10.2
2008	Brook Trout		22	8.6	6.1-10.7

Comments: MTFWP surveyed with angling in 2018. There were plenty of 8-10 Brookies.

How long have brookies been in here? This lake was presumed to be fishless. Marcuson felt that EB's from lakes in wyo

wouldn't be able to move into Gus in summer. Did they use a spring freshet?

#### Heidi Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Trails from Hwy 212 near Beartooth Butte serve the area. The lake is NE of

Elevation: 9758 ft

**Location:** 45.01577, -109.64465 (Map) Camp sites: Nice campsites (but Near Lake), plenty of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 229

Section: 09S17E28 Elevation Change **Trailhead Distance** 7 mi (6 on trail) Size: 8.2 acres Clay Butte 570 up, 280 down Depth: 8ft (Ave), 25ft (Max) Muddy Creek 9 mi (8 on trail) 950 ft up, 0 ft down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Abundant		Self-Sustained	
<u>Surveys</u>	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2015	Brook Trout		32	7.0	4.4-8.5
2006	Brook Trout		30	7.3	6.5-9.5

Comments: Pretty spot where Brook Trout would benefit from some harvest. Legal harvest of Brook Trout is encouraged here.

The 2015 sample was obtained by angling for 2 hours.

#### **Hidden Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Trails from Hwy 212 near Beartooth Butte serve the area. The lake is east of

Elevation: 9614 ft granite lake. Find trail from tiel lake.

Location: 45.00619, -109.62549 (Map) Camp sites: Camping is good at both ends of the lake. There is plenty of firewood

Marcuson's Code: 234

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Section: 09S17E34 **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Size: 18.0 acres Clay Butte 6.5 mi (6.5 on trail) 600 up, 280 down Depth: 46ft (Max) Muddy Creek 8.5 mi (8.5 on trail) 1420 ft up, 0 ft down

Surveye Species		# of fich	Ave Length (in)	Pange (in)
Brook Trout	11,500 in 1937			
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>		<u>Planned</u>	
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Abundant		Self-Sustained	
Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	27	8.9	6.1-12.8
2009	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	28	9.7	6.9-12.3

Comments: Hidden Lake is a scenic spot with good numbers of self-sustaining cutthroat. There is good spawning habitat in the inlet stream. The 2018 sample was obtained with angling.

#### Indian Knife Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Take Trail #567 from Kersey Lake to Russel Lake. From Russel head east 3

Elevation: 9794 ft miles. The lake is east of Otter Lake.

Location: 45.05441, -109.73058 (Map)

Camp sites: Ok at head of the lake. Some firewood

Marcuson's Code: 113

Section: 09S16E10

Size:5.3 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:14ft (Ave), 35ft (Max)Clarks Fork10.25 mi (10 on trail)2100 up, 280 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Brook Trout
 Abundant
 Self-Sustained

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Arctic Grayling
 300 in 1985

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2016
 Brook Trout
 16
 8.4
 6.4-10.3

 2005
 Brook Trout
 17
 9.5
 7.5-10.0

**Comments:** No GR in 2005 or 2016 samples. They have likely been extirpated by brook trout. GR were common prior to first brook trout being found in 1999. 2016 FWP sample EB in decent shape, not stunted.

### **Jasper Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: Island Lake Trail #614/620 to flake lake. North between mutt test jeff lakes

Elevation: 10194 ft and along east side of Becker Lake. Then along s test w sides of albino.

Location: 45.02902, -109.59036 (Map) Camp sites: No wood or obvious campsites-camp below albino I to avoid wind

Marcuson's Code: 237

**Section:** 09S17E23 **Size:** 54.8 acres

Size:54.8 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:43ft (Ave), 107ft (Max)Island Lake Wy7 mi (6 on trail)850 up, 200 down

Species Present Abundance Status Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Stocked Stocking Data **Planned** <u>Historic</u> 5,480 in 2014; 5,400 in 2006 5,480 in 2022 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in)

SurveysSpecies# of fishAve Length (in)Range (in)2016Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout2411.67.6-16.12010Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout1212.47.8-14.9

**Comments:** FWP sample in 2016 saw plenty of YCT 10-16 inches. YCT were spawning in the outlet and quite a ways up the inlet. This area has become a 'destination' type area with quite a bit of use.

#### Jorden Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: North from Clay Butte Trailhead past Granite Lake, then NW to Lake Elaine,

**Elevation:** 9625 ft then NW past Farley Lake.

**Location:** 45.04547, -109.71645 (Map) **Camp sites:** Good places to camp, but very little firewood is available.

Marcuson's Code: 121 Section: 9S16E14

Size:42.59 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:120ft (Max)Clarks Fork10.5 mi (10.5 on trail)2100 up, 475 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Yellowstone Cutthroat
 Common
 Self-Sustained

Stocking Data Historic Planned
Cutthroat Trout 2,110 in 1959
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 7,230 in 1981; 4,000 in 1967

# of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys **Species** 2015 Cutthroat X Golden Trout 11.8 11.8-11.8 2015 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 12.2 10.3-14.0 23 2005 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 8.8-12.8 14 11.5

**Comments:** It is possible that upstream Golden Trout may have moved downstream and hybridized with the Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout residing in Jorden Lake as 1 suspected hybrid was sampled in 2015.

The 2015 sample was obtained by angling for 2 hours.

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout X Golden Trout Unknown

Self-Sustained

## Kersey Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Approximately 2 miles of Excellent Trail from cooke pass. 4x4 trucks can

Elevation: 8066 ft reach the northwest corner of the lake.

**Location:** 45.02816, -109.84025 (Map) Camp sites: Campsites available. Firewood is picked over. Easy hike, Excellent Trail

Marcuson's Code: 60

**Section:** 09S15E22

Size: 118.0 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 39ft (Ave), 68ft (Max) Clarks Fork 2 mi (2 on trail) 230 up, 0 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Abundant	Self-Sustained
Lake Trout	Rare	Self-Sustained
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Self-Sustained

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>	
Brook Trout	4,600 in 1947; 12,420 in 19	941	
Lake Trout	5,000 in 1981		
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	23 000 in 2014: 22 675 in 3	1969	

<u>Surveys</u>	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Brook Trout	22	10.3	7.0-13.5
2018	Lake Trout	5	20.3	13.0-22.5
2006	Brook Trout	62	8.9	6.0-14.5

Comments: Lake trout have become self-sustaining but in apparently low numbers. They seem to have increased brook trout size. MTFWP netting in 2018 caught 5 LT 13-22 inches and 22 EB 8-13 inches

#### Kidney Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Trails from Hwy 212 near Beartooth Butte serve the area. The lake is SE of

Elevation: 9899 ft

**Location:** 45.02307, -109.64217 (Map) Camp sites: Nice places to camp. Firewood found nearby, but not here.

Marcuson's Code: 227 Section: 09S17E21

Size: 2.8 acres

Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 5ft (Ave), 15ft (Max) Clay Butte 9 mi (9 on trail) 800 up, 350 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Abundant		Self-Sustained	
Stocking Data		Historic		Planned	
Brook Trout		1.600 in 1937		<u>r iaririca</u>	
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<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)

2015 **Brook Trout** 17 8 4 61-98 2006 **Brook Trout** 16 8.5 6.3-9.5

Comments: Nice fishery for hikers, right on the trail

The 2015 sample was obtained with 2 hours of angling. In 2015 the Brook Trout were decent size considering the small size of the lake.

## Lady Of The Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Trail #31 up lady of the Lake Creek. Elevation: 8981 ft Camp sites: Firewood and campsites available.

Location: 45.06789, -109.8907 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 6

Section: 09S15E8

Size: 42.8 acres **Trailhead Distance** Elevation Change Depth: 10ft (Ave), 29ft (Max) Lady Of The Lake 2 mi (2 on trail) 160 up. 160 down

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	Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
	Brook Trout	Abundant	Self-Su	ıstained

Surveys	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2013	Brook Trout	10	6.9	5.2-9.3
2004	Brook Trout	8	10.8	9.3-12.3

Comments: Good spawning habitat in inlet and outlet.

The 2004 sample was obtained using angling for two hours. The 2013 sample was obtained using angling for 1.5 hours.

#### Lake Elaine

**Drainage:** Clarks Fork **Access:** North from clay Butte Trailhead past Granite Lake then NW 3-4 miles to lake elaine. Good trail all the way.

Elevation: 9391 ft elaine. Good trail all the way.

Location: 45.03485, -109.68225 (Map)

Camp sites: Excellent campsites and firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 168

**Section:** 09S17E19

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Size:132.4 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:56ft (Ave), 156ft (Max)Clay Butte10 mi (10 on trail)1000 up, 600 down

Species Prese	<u>nt</u>	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Abundant		Self-Sustained	
<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>		<u># of fish</u>	Ave Length (in)	<u>Range (in)</u>
2012	Brook Trout		11	9.3	8 0-10 2

9.6

2,035 in 2025

7.6-11.2

Comments: 2012 FWP survey with netting and angling in 2012. The net caught no fish but the crew did angle 11 EB. This lakes doesnt get

a lot of use for its size.

**Brook Trout** 

#### Lake Of The Clouds

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Take clarks Fork Trail #567 (excellent) 6 miles to Russel Lake. 2/3 mi more

Elevation: 9771 ft over bridge near end of switchbacks head n up steep wash (stream).

Location: 45.0747, -109.77965 (Map) Camp sites: Wood very scarce. Some campsites, but little shelter.

Marcuson's Code: 93

Section: 09S16E5

Size:23.6 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:25ft (Ave), 85ft (Max)Clarks Fork8.5 mi (8 on trail)1700 up, 300 down

Species Prese	ent	Abundance		Status	
Yellowstone C	Cutthroat	Common		Stocked	
Stocking Data		Historic		Planned	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout		2,360 in 20	2,360 in 2014; 2,360 in 2008 2,360 in 2020; 2,360		60 in 2022
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2019	Yellowstone Cutt	hroat Trout	22	12.9	9.1-14.8
2012	Yellowstone Cutt	hroat Trout	23	9.7	8.0-12.8

Comments: Very scenic spot. The lake is stocked every 6 years. FWP sampled in 2019 with netting and angling.

#### Lake Of The Winds

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: Hike 5 Trail miles (#567) from Kersey Lake to russel lake then head east for 2

Elevation: 9922 ft miles cross country.

Location: 45.07042, -109.75621 (Map) Camp sites: Camping possible but rather exposed. Firewood available but sparse.

Marcuson's Code: 100

**Section:** 09S16E4

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

Size:40.7 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:50ft (Ave), 186ft (Max)Clarks Fork9.5 mi (9 on trail)1900 up, 300 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Yellowstone Cutthroat
 Common
 Stocked

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Golden Trout
 10,052 in 1956

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2014
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 10
 15.7
 15.1-17.1

 2007
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 18
 14.2
 7.5-16.0

2,000 in 2017; 2,000 in 2009

**Comments:** No visual sign of 1988 fire. Best access is to climb up Lake of the Winds outlet stream, though not apparent from Mariane. Crews sampled a suspected rainbow trout X Yellowstone cutthroat trout hybrid in 2014.

## Leaky Raft Lake (Unnamed Lake 33)

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Long Lake Trailhead-lady of the lake-north to Broadwater River-trail up

Elevation: 10191 ft Zimmer Creek 1.5 mi-east to lower aero-upper aero-south. Location: 45.11727, -109.84504 (Map) Camp sites: No firewood. No flat places. Better camp someplace else!

Marcuson's Code: 33A

Section: 8S15E22 **Elevation Change Trailhead Distance** Size: 6.6 acres Lady Of The Lake 8.5 mi (7.5 on trail) 1580 up, 235 down Depth: 12ft (Ave), 30ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeep Trail 7 mi (6 on trail) 1420 ft up, 630 ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stock, with some natural reproduction
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	Planned
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	425 in 2016	425 in 2024

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	21	12.5	8.4-17.8
2007	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	3	15.8	14.5-16.5

Comments: In 2012 the FWP mountain lakes crew caught 21 YCT in a 13 hr net set. This lake can grow good sized YCT.

#### Lennon Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Head east from Kersey for 12 miles to Jorden Lake. Then turn south and walk

Elevation: 9610 ft 1 mile to Wade Lake. About 1/2 that distance from Ivy Lake Jeep Trail.

Location: 45.02637, -109.7041 (Map) Camp sites: Beautiful places to camp. Plenty of firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 163

Elevation Change Section: 09S16E24 **Trailhead Distance** Size: 10.1533 acres Ivy Lake Jp Trail #130 6.75 mi (6.5 on trail) 1900 up, 200 down Depth: 6ft (Ave), 15ft (Max) Clarks Fork Trailhead None mi (None on trail) None ft up, None ft down

Species Present Brook Trout	<u>t</u>	Abundance Abundant		<u>Status</u> Self-Sustained	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2015	Brook Trout		19	9.6	6.5-11.3
2006	Brook Trout		44	9.8	5.8-12.0

Comments: The 2015 sample was collected with a 4 hour daytime gill net set and angling. In 2015, 15 of the 19 fish sample was collected

with 2 hours of angling. This self-sustaining brook trout population could use harvest.

#### Lillis Lake

Access: 3/4 mile south of Kersey Lake on a good foot trail. Good day hike opportunity. Drainage: Clarks Fork

Elevation: 8184 ft Camp sites: No good camp sites near the lake. Firewood is abundant.

Location: 45.01777, -109.83975 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 67

Section: 09S15E27

Size: 2.7 acres **Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** Depth: 14ft (Ave), 30ft (Max) Clarks Fork 2 mi (2 on trail) 300 up, 30 down

Species Presen	<u>t</u>	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Common		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2015	Brook Trout		8	9.0	7.3-14.0
2008	Brook Trout		19	10.1	6.1-13.6

Comments: Difficult to fish in late summer due to abundant emergent vegetation.

The 2015 sample was obtained with a 6 hr daytime gill net set.

#### Line Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: The lake is 2 miles east of Hwy 212 at the MT-WYO state line. Not actually on

Elevation: 9797 ft main Line Creek drainage.

Location: 45.00541, -109.37589 (Map) Camp sites: Firewood is scarce but present. Nice flat places to camp.

Marcuson's Code: 246

**Section:** 09S19E34

Size: 4.7 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 26ft (Max) Near Mt/wy Border 2.5 mi (2.5 on trail) 500 up, 1045 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stocked
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	Planned
Arctic Grayling		500 in 2021; 500 in 2025
Brook Trout	1,040 in 1938; 4,400 in 1937	
Cutthroat Trout	2,500 in 1958	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	1,410 in 2018; 700 in 2011	705 in 2025

Surveys Species # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2018 No Fish Caught 0 13.2 2013 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 11.7-17.6 11

Comments: The lake can produce large fish and access is fairly easy. Yellowstone Cutthroats have been planted every 4 years since 1987. Lake shows heavy use, with much of the grass along the shoreline trampled. Water turbid, brownish. MTFWP sample in 2018 caught no fish. The 2015 plant may have been missed. The 2019 plant was moved up to 2018.

#### Little Green Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Accessed either from the Goose Lake Jeep Trail 1/4 mile past star lake or up

Elevation: 9630 ft Star Creek from the lady of the lake trail.

Location: 45.09795, -109.90171 (Map) Camp sites: There are some campsites and firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 25a

Section: 08S15E31

Size: 1.5766 acres **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 3ft (Ave), 6ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeep Trail 5 mi (4.5 on trail) None up, None down

Species Present		Abundance		Status	
Brook Trout		Abundant		Self-Sustained	
<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2014	Brook Trout		44	7.4	5.6-10.3

Comments: The lake has a sandy bottom and the brook trout are plentiful. It is located just below Green Lake.

Angling for 4.5 hours was used to obtain the 2014 sample.

## Little Washtub Lake (Washtub Lake)

Arctic Grayling

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: From lady of the Lake Trail follow sky Top Creek (good trail) test head SE at

Elevation: 9240 ft confluence with lower Aero Creek past west end of Cliff Lake.

Location: 45.08205, -109.86248 (Map) Camp sites: Nestled in rocks. Few flat spots. Lots of firewood. Camp at Cliff Lake

Marcuson's Code: 51

Section: 09S15E4 **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Size: 2.2 acres Goose Lake Jeep Trail 4 mi (3.5 on trail) 710 up, 880 down Depth: 10ft (A

220 in 2015; 300 in 2008

<b>h:</b> 10ft (Ave), 30ft (Max)	Lady Of The Lake	5.5 mi (5 on trail)	1040 ft up, 654 ft down
Species Present	Abundance	<u>S</u>	tatus_
Arctic Grayling	Common	S	tocked
Stocking Data	Historic	P	lanned

<u>Surveys</u>	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2019	Arctic Grayling	9	13.6	12.6-14.9
2017	Arctic Grayling	8	10.5	9.4-10.9

Comments: 2012 FWP survey only 4 GR caught in 14.5 hr. set 4 year old fish are in great shape. Approx 10 Col. Sp. Frogs seen. 2017 FWP sampled with angling. 2 year old GR looked great, big fat bellies, should grow to good size in next few years. 2019 FWP sample with netting and angling caught 9 GR from 13-15 inches.

220 in 2023

#### one Elk Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Hike down outlet stream from Long Lake to near lady of the lake. Then to Elevation: 10155 ft

Broadwater River. Stay on west side of sky Top Creek to lone elk lake.

8.2

6.7-9.8

Camp sites: Some rocky used campsites. Above treeline so no firewood.

**Location:** 45.11233, -109.83125 (Map)

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Marcuson's Code: 35

Section: 08S15E26 **Elevation Change Trailhead Distance Size:** 18.1 acres Goose Lake Jeep Trail 6 mi (6 on trail) 1600 up, 600 down Depth: 15ft (Ave), 40ft (Max) Lady Of The Lake 7.5 mi (7.5 on trail) 1900 ft up, 450 ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Common	Self-Sustained

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> Planned 1,810 in 1992 Arctic Grayling

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2012 **Brook Trout** 7.5 5.3-8.7 18

Comments: Grayling probably drifted downstream from the sky Top Creek Iks or from Rough Lake - none have been reported since 1973. Inlet has excellent spawning. D. Arneson 8/86 caught many 5-8" eb, no gr's.

'73 netting - 7 eb ave. 9.1" 6.0-16.5", along with the two grayling listed above. '89 creel cards 14 eb <8". D Hagenston reports 6-8" EB's - average condition. Lots of average size brookies here.

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2012 FWP survey 2 people angled 2.25 hrs.

**Brook Trout** 

#### Lonesome Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Island Lake Trail #614/620 toward Becker Lake. Past Becker Lake hike over

Elevation: 10181 ft the ridge to the west.

Location: 45.00539, -109.60192 (Map) Camp sites: Nice places to camp. Above tree line - very little firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 242

**Elevation Change** Section: 09S17E35 **Distance** Trailhead Size: 35.3 acres Island Lake 6.5 mi (4 on trail) 600 up, 0 down Depth: 38ft (Max) Clay Butte None mi (None on trail) None ft up, None ft down

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Species Present	Abundance	Status
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Brook Trout	Common	Self-Sustained

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> **Planned** 15,860 in 1937 **Brook Trout** Rainbow Trout 6.600 in 1936

<u>Surveys</u>	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Brook Trout	35	8.8	5.8-10.5
2008	Brook Trout	18	8.9	5.0-10.9

Comments: The lake is on the MT-WYO state line. The FWP crew sampled in 2018 with angling and caught 35 Brookies in an hour and a

half.

## Long Lake (Lone Lake)

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: 4x4 travel on the Goose Lake Jeep Trail.

Elevation: 9394 ft Camp sites: Many well used camp sites. Firewood is picked over.

Location: 45.08122, -109.91002 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 10 Section: 09S15E6

> Size: 11.9 acres <u>Trailhead</u> **Elevation Change Distance** Depth: 8ft (Ave), 21ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeep Trail DRIVE mi (TO on trail) None up, None down

Species Present Brook Trout	<u>Abundance</u> Abundant	Status Self-Sustained
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Brook Trout	11,400 in 1940; 4,900 in 1938	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	10,396 in 1941	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Brook Trout	15	7.2	4.2-9.0
2000	Brook Trout	39	8.2	6.2-10.1
2000	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	2	12.6	12.2-12.9

Comments: Some cutthroat from Ovis Lake may drift down into long lake. Brookies planted in 1933 and 1936.

The brookies could stand more harvest here. '00 2 CT's caught, 12.2-12.9". '89 creel cards 3 eb 8-12" range. 2012 FWP survey plenty of small fish.

# Looking Glass Lake (Glass Lake, Stephanie Lake)

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Usfs Trail #567 from Kersey Lake. From the saddle near Fossil Lake head to

the west and north of windy lake. Take the 3rd draw heading north.

Location: 45.11044, -109.80995 (Map) Camp sites: Few campsites. No firewood. No sign of '88 fire (no trees).

Marcuson's Code: 89

Section: 8S15E25

Elevation: 10391 ft

Size:15.96 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:21ft (Ave), 65ft (Max)Clarks Fork11.5 mi (9.5 on trail)2500 up, 280 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stocked

Stocking Data Historic Planned
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 1,390 in 2014; 1,400 in 2006

SurveysSpecies# of fishAve Length (in)Range (in)2016Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout3614.07.7-16.62010Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout3812.79.7-16.3

**Comments:** Goal of trophy fishery not met by initial 200/acre. Checked in '96 to see if 100/acre in '90 has increased growth. Large #'s of '82 plant present in '90 will complicate matters.

Stocking halted till next sampling. '89 - fish were small for 7 yr olds and obviously thin. Outlet redds in '96 '89 creel cards - 1 CT <8", 10 from 8-12". D Fischer 8/91 10-11" CT pretty, health ok.

D Hagenston 8/95 caught one CT - a 14 incher - kind of snakey. '96 evidence of moderate use. Lake half frozen arrival 2010. 2012 Kim Latterell / Bob Lesher angled 2 hrs caught 8 YCT 12-14"

#### **Lower Aero Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Goose Lake Jeep Trail-long lake or lady of the lake trail. Then up Zimmer

Elevation: 9984 ft Creek or sky top creek. Good trail up the west side of Zimmer Creek.

Location: 45.10903, -109.86111 (Map) Camp sites: Firewood is scarce, as are good flat spots. Better below.

Marcuson's Code: 29

 Section:
 8S15E28
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 187.43 acres
 Goose Lake Jeep Trail
 5 mi (5 on trail)
 1300 up, 650 down

 Depth:
 49ft (Ave), 185ft (Max)
 Lady Of The Lake
 6.5 mi (6.5 on trail)
 1400 ft up, 250 ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stocked

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>	
Cutthroat Trout	2 110 in 1959		

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2016	Brook Trout	3	6.9	6.3-7.5
2016	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	12	16.1	15.0-16.7
2010	Brook Trout	1	15.5	15.5-15.5
2010	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	10	14.9	13.3-16.4

**Comments:** Cutthroats drift down from Upper Aero Lake while brook trout are self sustaining. Fish kills have been observed in the past. MTFWP sampled in 2016 finding good numbers of good sized cutthroats and a few smaller brookies.

## **Margaret Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Good Trail to Vernon Lake, then head north 1/4 mile cross country to

**Elevation:** 8167 ft margaret lake.

Location: 45.01632, -109.82992 (Map) Camp sites: No camping at lake (floating bog at outlet). Lots of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 66

Section: 09S15E26

Size:3.9 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:11ft (Ave), 22ft (Max)Clarks Fork2.5 mi (2 on trail)400 up, 100 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stocked	
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	Planned	
Cutthroat Trout	1,760 in 1955		
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	490 in 2014; 490 in 2008	490 in 2020	

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2018
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 5
 16.5
 14.4-18.1

 2013
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 11
 17.6
 14.9-20.1

Comments: Warm water, lily pads, swampy shoreline. Crustaceans and other aquatic invertebrates. No spawning potential. Inflow seeps

from a marsh. Outlet is silted.

Stocked every 6 years. Bear country. The 2018 sample was obtained with netting and angling, few fish were caught but they were in good shape.

#### **Mariane Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Take Trail #567 from Kersey Lake to russel lake. From russel lake head east

Elevation: 9545 ft ~2 miles on a good trail.

Location: 45.05915, -109.7596 (Map) Camp sites: Good campsites. Lots of firewood. Heavy use.

Marcuson's Code: 102

**Section:** 09S16E9

Size:50.8 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:15ft (Ave), 70ft (Max)Clarks Fork8.3 mi (8.3 on trail)1900 up, 300 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Abundant		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2011	Brook Trout		14	8.4	6.5-9.8
1999	Brook Trout		15	8.7	6.5-11.5

**Comments:** Rainbow trout occupied the lake in the 50's and 60's. Brookies dominate the fishery now. Tremendous spawning inlet. The 2011 FWP survey caught Brookies from 6-10 inches.

#### **Marsh Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Trail #31 to lady of the lake. Cross the outlet stream here and at swamp lake

Elevation: 8994 ft to the east. Then to weidy lake and southeast to marsh.

Location: 45.05827, -109.87084 (Map)

Camp sites: Adequate campsites are available and firewood is abundant.

Marcuson's Code: 19

Section: 09S15E9

Size:3.8 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:8ft (Ave), 25ft (Max)Lady Of The Lake4 mi (1.5 on trail)650 up, 480 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Yellowstone Cutthroat
 Common
 Stocked

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Rainbow Trout
 402 in 1980

 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 380 in 2015; 380 in 2009
 380 in 2021

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2019
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 11
 12.8
 10.9-14.3

 2017
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 28
 10.4
 8.5-11.9

Comments: A lot of downfall to hike over. Nice place to camp. Pretty Lake - seems secluded. FWP sampled in 2017 with netting and

angling and 2019 with netting

#### Martin Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Trails from the Beartooth Butte area on Hwy 212 serve the area. The lake is Elevation: 9758 ft

east of Lake Elaine and Green Lake. Camp sites: Nice places to camp. Plenty of firewood.

Location: 45.03232, -109.64231 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 211 Section: 9S17E21

> Size: 32.12 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** 10 mi (9.75 on trail) Depth: 42ft (Max) Clay Butte 820 up, 620 down

Species Present **Abundance Status Brook Trout** Abundant Self-Sustained

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> Planned 10,620 in 1937 **Brook Trout Cutthroat Trout** 8,400 in 1936

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2015 **Brook Trout** 80 5.2-10.4 8.0 2005 **Brook Trout** 11 7.8 6.8-9.5

Comments: The over abundant Brook Trout would benefit from some harvest. Legal harvest of Brook Trout is encouraged here.

The 2015 sample was collected with a 4.5 hour daytime gill net set and angling. In 2015, 42 of the 80 fish sample was obtained by 2 hours of angling.

## **Maryott Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: 11 miles Up Trail to Martin Lake from clay butte or beartooth lake and 1.5

Elevation: 10394 ft miles NE of Martin Lake. No trail.

Location: 45.04897, -109.62458 (Map) Camp sites: No Trail or fuel exist. Very rocky for camping.

Marcuson's Code: 204

**Section:** 09S17E15

Size: 17.9765 acres **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 24ft (Ave), 62ft (Max) Island Lake Wy 12 mi (9 on trail) 1200 up, 400 down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Yellowstone Cutthroat Self-Sustained Common Surveys Species # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2013 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 19 15.4 12.2-19.3 2005 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 13 15.1 14.8-15.5

Comments: This is a trophy-type fishery. Well above treeline.

The 2013 sample was obtained using angling for 4 hours.

## **Melody Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Trail from Kersey Lake to fox lake, then find the primative trail and head east

Elevation: 8994 ft past canyon lake to melody lake. Alternate access - head SE from the east

Location: 45.04012, -109.75527 (Map) end of otter lake.

Marcuson's Code: 119 Camp sites: Firewood is everywhere. Decent campsites.

Section: 9S16E16

Size: 3.86 acres **Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** 

Clarks Fork 10 mi (9 on trail) 1900 up, 960 down Depth: 3ft (Ave), 8ft (Max)

Species Present Status **Abundance** Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Self-Sustained

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2016 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 29 8.1 3.8-12.4 2006 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 23 10.3 7.5-14.0

Comments: 2016 FWP survey, no good place to set a net, sample obtained with angling. YCT from 5 to 12 inches. MFWP 06 survey many fish observed, 3-15" Lake is shallow around edges.

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## Midnight Lake (Red Storm Lake)

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: North from Clay Butte Trailhead past Granite Lake. Then NW to Lake Elaine. Elevation: 9578 ft

Then SW to Midnight or trail 568/612 from Ivy Lake Jeep Trail trailhead

**Location:** 45.02661, -109.69544 (Map) Camp sites: A couple of places to camp. Plenty of firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 164

Section: 09S16E24 **Elevation Change Trailhead Distance** Size: 5.1 acres Ivy Lake Jp Trail #130 7.25 mi (6.75 on trail) 1900 up, 350 down Depth: 10ft (Ave), 30ft (Max) Clay Butte None mi (None on trail) None ft up, None ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Abundant	Self-Sustained

<u>Surveys</u>	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2015	Brook Trout	26	8.1	6.0-9.9
1994	Brook Trout	55	8.1	6.7-10.2

Comments: Pretty lake with a mostly sand/silt bottom. Fish move between Farley Lake and Midnight Lake.

The gill net set in 2015 was a 5.5 hour daytime set. In the 2015 survey, 11 of the 25 brook trout sampled were obtained with

angling for 1 hour.

#### Moccasin Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: The outlet drains into the Broadwater River 1 mile north of Broadwater Lake.

No Trail exists.

Location: 45.0832, -109.84849 (Map) Camp sites: Plenty of firewood and nice campsites.

Marcuson's Code: 52

Elevation: 9564 ft

Section: 09S15E3 **Elevation Change Trailhead Distance** Size: 6.8 acres Goose Lake Jeep Trail 4.5 mi (3.5 on trail) 900 up, 830 down Depth: 13ft (Ave), 30ft (Max) Lady Of The Lake Trail 6.5 mi (5.5 on trail) 1500 ft up, 600 ft down

Species Presen	<u>nt</u>	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Common		Self-Sustained	
<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Brook Trout		16	10.3	9.1-11.2
2006	Brook Trout		13	9.1	7.0-10.5

Comments: 2017 FWP sampled with angling. Fun lake to fish for decent sized EB up to 12 inches. Brookies have been reported in poor

condition in the past but look good now.

## **Mosquito Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Trail #31 to lady of the lake. Cross the outlet stream here and at swamp lake

Elevation: 9034 ft to the east. Then northeast from the north side of weidy lake.

Location: 45.06605, -109.86778 (Map) Camp sites: A few nice camp sites. Plenty of firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 18A Section: 9S15E9

2017

Size: 2.63 acres **Elevation Change Trailhead Distance** Depth: 21ft (Max) Lady Of The Lake 4 mi (1.5 on trail) 730 up, 450 down

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Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Arctic Grayling	Rare	Stocked
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Arctic Grayling	200 in 2015: 312 in 1997	

13.5

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout			260 in 2020	
Survevs	Species	# of fish	Ave Lenath (in)	Range (in)
2019	Arctic Grayling	2	13.0	12.8-13.1

Comments: FWP netting surveys have caught very few grayling. One in 2012 and two in both 2017 and 2019.

There are lots of large leeches in the lake.

Arctic Grayling

9.8-17.1

## North Hidden Lake (Marmot Lake, Renie Lake)

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Trails from Hwy 212 near Beartooth Butte serve the area. The lake is NE of

**Elevation:** 9965 ft granite lake.

Location: 45.01998, -109.63726 (Map) Camp sites: Some nice spots to camp. Firewood limited.

Marcuson's Code: 228

Section: 9S17E28

Size:19.03 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:26ft (Ave), 55ft (Max)Clay Butte8.5 mi (8.25 on trail)780 up, 280 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Common	Self-Sustained

<u>Surveys</u>	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2015	Brook Trout	4	9.9	9.3-10.8
2006	Brook Trout	23	9.2	7.0-11.0

Comments: The 2015 sample was obtained with angling for 4 hours. Not an over abundant Brook Trout population.

## Nymph Lake (Leo Lake)

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Chief Joseph Trailhead. ~7 miles passing Kersey and Russel Lakes. Head

Elevation: 9394 ft toward Fossil Lake. 1/4 mile west of Lonn Lake.

Location: 45.06983, -109.79321 (Map) Camp sites: This trail gets heavy use. A few campsites. Some firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 79
Section: 09S16F6

Size: 7.3563 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth: 23ft (Ave), 55ft (Max)Clarks Fork8 mi (7.75 on trail)1440 up, 0 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Yellowstone Cutthroat
 Common
 Self-Sustained

Stocking DataHistoricPlannedYellowstone Cutthroat Trout860 in 2012730 in 2020

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2019
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 14
 12.4
 7.4-15.4

 2017
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 15
 11.5
 8.1-13.6

**Comments:** These fish have been self-sustaining since '68 from the old Yct stock. 2012 decision to supplement fishery with stock of Goose Lake strain YCT. Evaluate reproduction before next stock. Some spawning habitat in outlet but fish may not be able to get back to the lake. 2017 sample with overnight gill net. Also angled, YCT were fairly easy to catch. FWP sampled again in 2019.

Netting caught YCT but no fish were caught angling.

#### **Otter Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Take Trail #567 from Kersey Lake to russel lake. From russel lake head east

Elevation: 9791 ft approximately 3 miles.

Location: 45.05391, -109.74275 (Map) Camp sites: Some rocky campsites with some firewood are available.

Marcuson's Code: 103

Section: 09S16E10

**Brook Trout** 

Size:61.2 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:177ft (Max)Clarks Fork9 mi (9 on trail)1900 up, 300 down

 177ft (Max)
 Clarks Fork
 9 mi (9 on trail)
 1900 up, 300 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

Stocking Data Historic Planned

Common

 Rainbow Trout
 456 in 1956

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Rainbow

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2010
 Brook Trout
 10
 8.3
 6.6-9.3

 1990
 Arctic Grayling
 1
 14.3
 14.3-14.3

 1990
 Brook Trout
 1
 11.5
 11.5-11.5

Comments: In 2010 the FWP crew caught 10 Brook trout using hook and line. They were somewhat small but looked in good shape. The lake gets a moderate amount of use.

Self-Sustained

#### Ouzel Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Approximately 5 Trail miles from Kersey Lake, 7-8 miles from the chief joseph

Elevation: 9417 ft trailhead.

Location: 45.0765, -109.78783 (Map) Camp sites: Some very nice campsites and firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 92

Section: 09S16E5

Size: 3.5 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 11ft (Ave), 24ft (Max) Clarks Fork 8.25 mi (8.25 on trail) 1500 up, 300 down

Species Present	Abundance	Status
Brook Trout	Abundant	Self-Sustained

Stocking Data **Planned** <u>Historic</u> Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 525 in 1989; 423 in 1981

Surveye	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)	
<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Opecies</u>	# 01 11311	Ave Length (III)		
2011	Brook Trout	12	7.6	5.6-8.6	
1990	Brook Trout	19	8.9	4.9-12.0	

Comments: The lake is located in a high use area. Absence of CT suggests heavy pressure, or more likely, heavy competition from the brookies. Cutthroats first planted in 1971. 93 plant canceled no m0re Yct plants planned in the future.

Had been stocked every 4 years. Heavily Used Lake. D Hagenston 8/27/89 10" EB's. '89 creel cards 5 CT 8-12". D Fischer

8/91 gill net in 1990 set for 17 hours. EB's were fat.

One 11.5" cutthroat sampled in 1980.

#### Ovis Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: 4x4 travel on the Goose Lake Jeep Trail. It is roughly a 3.5 mile hike in from

Elevation: 9637 ft the start of the jeep trail.

Camp sites: Camping sites and firewood exist. **Location:** 45.07822, -109.91829 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 11

Section: 09S15E6

**Elevation Change** Size: 8.6 acres **Trailhead Distance** Depth: 19ft (Ave), 45ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeep Trail 5 mi (0 on trail) 240 up 0 down

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Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Statı</u>	<u>IS</u>
Brook Trout	Common	Self-	Sustained
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Rare	Stoc	ked

Yellowstone Cutthroat	Rare	Stocked
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Vollowetono Cutthroat Trout	960 in 2012: 960 in 2000	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2014	Brook Trout	23	9.4	6.9-11.7
2008	Brook Trout	16	8.9	6 9-11 9

Comments: Ovis Lake receives a fair amount of pressure and fish were wary during the 2014 sampling.

Despite stocking every 3 years did not sample any Yellowstone cutthroat. The 2014 sample was obtained by angling for 6 hours.

#### Pablo Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: From clarks Fork Trailhead take Trail #3 past Kersey Lake to Trail #567, up

Elevation: 9839 ft Russell Creek past bald knob lake to skull lake then west 1/4 mile.

Location: 45.08424, -109.80633 (Map) Camp sites: Camping is possible with little firewood. Camping is better near Bald Knob

Marcuson's Code: 83

Lake. Section: 9S15E1 Size: 0.34 acres

Trailhead Elevation Change **Distance** Depth: 12ft (Max) Clarks Fork 9.5 mi (9.25 on trail) 1730 up, 150 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		Status	
Golden Trout		Common		Self-Sustained	
<u>Surveys</u>	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	No Fish Caught		0		
2008	Golden Trout		7	9.0	7.1-13.0

Comments: Self Susstaining GT here have resulted from plants of goldens into Picasso Lake just upstream. No upstream movement from

here back to picasso is possible.

Inlet is cobble/boulder. Outlet has some gravel 5 GT seen in 2017, 3 spawners in the inlet stream

#### Pneumonia Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: East of Skytop Creek and north of Moccasin Lake. No Trail leads to the lake.

**Elevation:** 9863 ft **Camp sites:** No firewood.

**Location:** 45.09745, -109.84403 (Map) **Marcuson's Code:** 46

Section: 08S15E34

Size:3.6 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:15ft (Ave), 33ft (Max)Goose Lake Jeep Trail5.5 mi (5 on trail)1200 up, 600 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
1987	No Fish Caught		0		

Comments: No fish caught in gill nets '73 test '87.

Little need for a new fishery in this area. Leave fishless.

#### **Production Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: Goose Lake Jeep Trail - lady of the Lake Creek - Broadwater River. Then

Elevation: 10181 ft head up sky top creek and turn east ~3/4 mile below lone elk lake.

Location: 45.10269, -109.83315 (Map) Camp sites: Above tree line. Few places to camp. Rocky. No firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 44

 Section:
 08S15E26
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 3.1 acres
 Goose Lake Jeep Trail
 6.5 mi (5 on trail)
 3450 up, 700 down

 Depth:
 17ft (Ave), 42ft (Max)
 Lady Of The Lake
 8.5 mi (7 on trail)
 3600 ft up, 500 ft down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Common		Self-Sustained	
<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Brook Trout		29	9.5	7.7-10.4
2003	Brook Trout		17	9.2	8.0-10.0

**Comments:** Pat Marcuson said Tommy Garrison most likely planted EB's here in the late 50's or early 60's. 2012 FWP netting and angling caught 29 EB in 4.5 hrs.

## Rachel Lake (Wall Lake)

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: 4 miles on Clay Butte Trail #618 to Thiel Lake trail. Past Thiel Lake to Kidney,

Elevation: 9968 ft Wright, and Martin Lakes. Wall Lake is above Martin.

Location: 45.03297, -109.62981 (Map) Camp sites: Many places to camp. Some firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 214

Section:09S17E21TrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeSize:14.4 acresClay Butte #61811.25 mi (9.75 on trail)1050 up, 620 downDepth:9ft (Ave), 28ft (Max)Muddy CreekNone mi (None on trail)None ft up, None ft down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Abundant		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2015	Brook Trout		48	7.6	4.6-9.3
2005	Brook Trout		20	7.4	6.0-9.3

Comments: Brook Trout are very abundant here. Legal harvest of brook trout is encouraged here.

Many 3-4 inch Brook Trout observed in the shallows during 2015 survey.

#### **Recruitment Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: Head up sky Top Creek then head east approximately 1 mile below lone Elk

Elevation: 10145 ft

**Location:** 45.09915, -109.83756 (Map) **Camp sites:** There is very little firewood and few flat places to camp.

Marcuson's Code: 45

Section: 08S15E35

Size:13.1 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:17ft (Ave), 53ft (Max)Goose Lake Jeep Trail6 mi (5 on trail)1400 up, 600 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Common	Self-Sustained

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Brook Trout	13	11.4	7.5-16.9
1992	Brook Trout	2	14.7	11.9-17.4

Comments: Little natural reproduction occurs in this lake. Brookies move down from Production Lake. 2012 FWP survey net set 15 hrs

caught 13 EB. Also angled 3.

## Robin Lake (Whitcomb)

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Trails from the Beartooth Butte area on Hwy 212 serve the area. The lake is

**Elevation:** 9550 ft east of Lake Elaine.

Location: 45.02394, -109.65613 (Map) Camp sites: Kind of wet and rocky but there are places to camp. Plenty of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 207 Section: 9S17E20

Size: 11.973 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:Clay Butte10.5 mi (9.75 on trail)800 up, 690 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Brook Trout
 Abundant
 Self-Sustained

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2015	Brook Trout	47	9.0	7.2-10.7
2003	Brook Trout	35	7.3	5.2-11.0

Comments: MTFWP survey in 2015 found Brook Trout a little larger than in lakes above.

#### **Rock Island Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: 3.25 miles from Kersey Lake Trailhead. Past Kersey take right Trail #565 ~.75

**Elevation:** 8177 ft miles to rock island.

Location: 45.01641, -109.80979 (Map) Camp sites: Many well used camp spots. Firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 73 Section: 09S15E25

Size:137.0 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:36ft (Ave), 110ft (Max)Clarks Fork3.25 mi (3.25 on trail)350 up, 250 down

36ft (Ave), 110ft (Max) Clarks Fork 3.25 mi (3.25 on trail) 350 up, 250 down

Species Present Abundance Status

Brook Trout Common Self-Sustained
Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Stocked

Stocking Data Historic Planned
Brook Trout 7,000 in 1939; 15,600 in 1938

Cutthroat Trout 18,000 in 1939; 15,000 in 1938
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 10,000 in 2017; 13,700 in 2014 13,700 in 2020; 13,700 in 2023

# of fish Ave Length (in) Surveys **Species** Range (in) 2018 **Brook Trout** 18 12.2 10.7-13.6 2018 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 3 10.2 7.7-15.1 2013 **Brook Trout** 7 13.0 11.4-13.9 9 2013 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 13.2 7.8-16.7

**Comments:** Lake gets a fair amount of use due to relatively easy access. YCT are stocked every 3 years. Fishing is good for nice sized YCT and EB. In 2018 MTFWP netted in the NE arm.

## **Rock Tree Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Take Trail #567 from Kersey Lake to russel lake. From russel lake head east

**Elevation:** 9978 ft 3 miles. The lake is 1/2 mile north of otter lake.

Location: 45.06108, -109.74229 (Map) Camp sites: Rocky campsites. Scarce firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 104

Section: 09S16E10

Size:15.6282 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:49ft (Ave), 130ft (Max)Clarks Fork10.5 mi (10 on trail)2300 up, 300 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Golden Trout	Common	Stocked	
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	Planned	
Golden Trout	1,810 in 2017; 1,500 in 2012	1,810 in 2023	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	2,510 in 1968		

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2016
 Golden Trout
 12
 10.7
 7.1-15.2

 2010
 Golden Trout
 6
 6.8
 5.9-7.9

**Comments:** Fairy shrimp (eubranchiopoda-anostraca) are common. FWP survey in 2016 caught 12 GT in 4 hr net set but no fish angling. Some smaller fish were caught indicating some possible reproduction.

## Rough Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: Long Lake toward lady of the lake. Then north to Broadwater River/zimmer

Elevation: 10191 ft Creek. Cross river and stay on north side of sky top creek to rough.

Location: 45.12041, -109.82673 (Map) Camp sites: Some flat places near inlet. No firewood. Above tree line.

Marcuson's Code: 36

 Section:
 08S15E23
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 102.2 acres
 Goose Lake Jeep Trail
 6.5 mi (6.5 on trail)
 1600 up, 600 down

 Depth:
 32ft (Ave), 110ft (Max)
 Lady Of The Lake
 8 mi (8 on trail)
 1900 ft up, 450 ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Abundant	Self-Sustained
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Arctic Grayling	10,220 in 1992	
Brook Trout	4,320 in 1938	

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Brook Trout	13	8.8	7.4-9.9
1998	Brook Trout	29	8.7	5.9-11.4

**Comments:** 2012 FWP survey 4 hr net set caught 25 EB. Grayling were planted in 1992 and drifted down from 1955 plants in Skytop Lakes but none have been seen for many years.

# Round Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Right on the Goose Lake Jeep Trail out of cooke city. With a 4wd one wouldn't

Elevation: 9394 ft need to walk more than a few steps to reach the lake.

Location: 45.07448, -109.90626 (Map) Camp sites: There are campsites and plenty of firewood. There is a cabin at the lake that

Marcuson's Code: 8test9 is not available to the general public.

Section: 09S15E6

Size:31.0 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:12ft (Ave), 32ft (Max)Goose Lake Jeep Trail0 mi (0 on trail)0 up, 0 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Rare	Self-Sustained

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Brook Trout	10,000 in 1940; 7,720 in 1939	
Cutthroat Trout	4,000 in 1946	
Rainbow Trout	3,570 in 1949	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	13,888 in 1941	

<u>Surveys</u>	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Brook Trout	14	10.6	7.3-14.3
2011	Brook Trout	17	11.6	8.9-14.6

**Comments:** Decent fishing for nice size EB. Can be reached with 4WD but road is very rough, lots of rock. There is evidence of quite a bit of use. The 2018 survey was angled.

#### Russell Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Elevation: 8794 ft

**Location:** 45.06151, -109.78982 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 77

Section: 09S16E7

Size: 27.5 acres Depth: 48ft (Ave), 95ft (Max) Access: Take Usfs Trail #567 from chief joseph campground. Approximately 6 trail

Camp sites: Nice places but hard to get far from water. Firewood is available but picked

over

**Trailhead** Distance **Elevation Change** Clarks Fork 6 mi (6 on trail) 1200 up, 280 down

Species Present **Abundance Status Brook Trout** Common Self-Sustained

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) **Brook Trout** 25 2017 8.3 3.5-9.9 2007 **Brook Trout** 74 7.4 5.0-10.5

Comments: Good fishery for campers and hikers.

Major use. Shoreline beaten down Along Trail. '93 fish were small but healthy. Some had large heads indicative of stunting.

Fwp sampled 07,13.5 hour set,many average fish. FWP sample in 2017 angling only

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

**Brook Trout** 

## Sedge Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Elevation: 9099 ft

Location: 45.05394, -109.81664 (Map) Marcuson's Code: 62

> **Section:** 09S15E13 Size: 5.808 acres

Depth: 10ft (Ave), 28ft (Max)

Species Present

Access: Trail #567 1/2 mi to Jeep Trail #306. Up #306 to Broadwater River Trail #564. Head x-country east before Curl Lake to Sedge Creek then up east side.

**Status** 

9.8

6.9

7.6-12.0

5.6-8.3

Camp sites: East side wasn't burned. Wood and campsites are present but it is rocky.

**Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** 1200 up, 100 down Clarks Fork 6.5 mi (4 on trail)

Yellowstone Cutthroat Self-Sustained Abundant Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2015 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 10 10.1 6.9-13.4

**Abundance** 

Comments: This area is in the middle of the 1988 fire.

The 2015 sample was obtained with 2 hours of angling. During the 2015 survey 2 fish were observed spawning in the inlet.

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#### **Shelter Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Elevation: 10161 ft

2011

Location: 45.11107. -109.83892 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 34

**Section:** 08S15E27 Size: 6.8 acres

2010

Depth: 17ft (Ave), 45ft (Max)

Access: Goose Lake Jeep Trail - lady of the Lake Creek - Broadwater River. Then head up the north side of sky top creek on an unmaintained trail.

Camp sites: Above tree line. Few places to camp. Rocky. No firewood.

**Trailhead Distance** Elevation Change Goose Lake Jeep Trail 7 mi (6.5 on trail) 3450 up, 700 down 9 mi (8.5 on trail) Lady Of The Lake 3600 ft up, 500 ft down

Species Present **Abundance** Status **Brook Trout** Self-Sustained Common Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2016 **Brook Trout** 6.2-8.8 25 7.6

10

Comments: Typical brookie lake, lots of fish, not very big. FWP crew found brookies with big heads and small bodies in 2010.

#### **Skeeter Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Granite Lake Trail #618 from Hwy 212 near Beartooth Butte. Lake is west of

Elevation: 9276 ft Granite Lake. Head straight north from spaghetti lake.

Location: 45.00804, -109.68433 (Map) Camp sites: There are campsites and firewood but the lake is aptly named.

Marcuson's Code: 149

 Section:
 09S17E30
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 10.7 acres
 Clay Butte #618
 8 mi (7 on trail)
 800 up, 900 down

 Depth:
 4ft (Ave), 25ft (Max)
 Crazy Lakes
 6 mi (3 on trail)
 1200 ft up, 0 ft down

 Species Present Actic Grayling
 Abundance Unknown
 Status Stocked

 Stocking Data Arctic Grayling
 Historic Planned

 Arctic Grayling
 500 in 2015; 1,100 in 2008

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2019
 No Fish Caught
 0

 2017
 No Fish Caught
 0

Comments: Lake doesn't seem very promising-shallow, weedy. There doesn't seem to be an inlet or outlet - little chance for spawning. The entire bottom is heavily silted. 60-70% Of Lake covered with lily pads. Last 3 FWP surveys have caught no fish. Need to reevaluate Grayling plants.

### **Skull Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: Usfs Trail #567 from Kersey Lake. The lake is in between bald knob and

Elevation: 9794 ft Kersey Lakes.

Location: 45.08571, -109.80241 (Map) Camp sites: Some nice places to camp, but near the main trail. Firewood is limited

Marcuson's Code: 82 Section: 08S15E36

Size: 5.5 acres

Depth: 6ft (Ave), 16ft (Max)

<u>Trailhead</u> <u>Distance</u> <u>Elevation Change</u>
Clarks Fork 9 mi (9 on trail) 1700 up, 280 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Abundant		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2019	Brook Trout		26	7.0	4.4-8.5
2017	Brook Trout		13	7.7	6.5-8.4

**Comments:** 2019 FWP sampled with angling. Fishing was easy. Some fish were stunted. Fish were rising all over. No changes in this population in last 30 years of sampling

## **Sky Top Lakes**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: The lakes are in the sky top drainage east of aero lake. Unmaintained Trail.

Elevation: 10391 ft There are seven lakes.

Location: 45.12365, -109.80843 (Map)

Camp sites: Very rocky. No firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 37

Section: 08S15E24

Size:21.3395 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:14ft (Ave)Goose Lake Jeep Trail1012 mi (7 on trail)2300 up, 1000 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Arctic Grayling
 50,000 in 1955

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 1993
 No Fish Caught
 0

**Comments:** Grayling eggs were planted in 1955 but they appear to have drifted downstream into Rough Lake. Water in lakes is a little cloudy (glacial milk). These lakes are considerd fishless please report any catches to MFWP.

'93 - no sign of any fish. Upper 3 Lakes frozen 8/4/93. Two lower lakes 50 test 90% ice covered. Consider stocking the lower 4 lakes #37, 38, 39, 40, with either mCT's or gt's. Spawning gravel in spots between lakes. No aquatic vegetation seen.

Three types of crustaceans present. D Fischer '91 - met parties in past years who reported big! CT's in streams. Please report any fish caught from any of These Lakes to MFWP.

#### **Sodalite Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Head of Sodalite Creek. Can easily be reached from fossil and bald Knob

Elevation: 9794 ft Lakes, Seldom Traveled Trail.

Location: 45.08334, -109.81848 (Map) Camp sites: Some nice spots. No firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 57

Section: 08S15E36

**Size:** 25.8 acres Trailhead Distance Elevation Change Depth: 25ft (Ave), 90ft (Max) Clarks Fork 10 mi (9 on trail) 2000 up, 200 down

Species Present **Abundance Status Brook Trout** Common Self-Sustained

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> <u>Planned</u> Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 2,110 in 1959

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2019 **Brook Trout** 48 86 6.1-11.4 2008 **Brook Trout** 22 9.0 6.0-10.5

Comments: The FWP sample in 2019 was hook and line and found decent sized brookies. Only a few were stunted

## Spaghetti Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: The lake is west of granite lake. Trailhead to granite lake is on Hwy 212 near

Elevation: 9204 ft Beartooth Butte.

Location: 45.00509, -109.68967 (Map) If you use crazy lakes Trailhead use gps after leaving copeland lake. Use lat Marcuson's Code: 150

long below in dec. Degree.

Section: 09S16E36 Camp sites: Some decent places to camp but kind of wet. Plenty of firewood. Size: 6.3 acres

**Trailhead** Distance **Elevation Change** Clay Butte #618 8 mi (7 on trail) 700 up, 900 down Crazy Lakes 5.5 mi (3 on trail) 1000 ft up, 0 ft down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Stocked Arctic Grayling Unknown

Stocking Data **Historic** Planned 630 in 2023 Arctic Grayling 400 in 2015; 630 in 2008

# of fish Ave Length (in) **Species** Range (in) Surveys 2019 Arctic Grayling 10.7-16.2 9 13.1 2017 Arctic Grayling 19 11.4 10.4-14.6

Comments: Both inlet and outlet are marshes. Seems to be little spawning potential.

2012 FWP survey 13.5 hr net set caught NO GR. 2019 and 2017 samples after 2015 stocking caught good numbers of fish exhibiting good growth. Check again before next plant, these fish should grow to nice size.

## Splinter Lake (Sliver Lake)

**Brook Trout** 

Depth: 9ft (Ave), 54ft (Max)

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: The outlet drains into sky Top Creek near it's confluence with lower Aero

Elevation: 9482 ft Creek. No Trail. Cross sky Top Creek at outlet of lower aero there is a faint

Location: 45.09068, -109.85363 (Map) trail that leads south towards Cliff Lake then ne. To sliver.

Camp sites: Beautiful Lake. Lots of firewood. Nice place to camp. Marcuson's Code: 48 Section: 8S15E34

> Size: 6.36 acres **Trailhead Distance** Elevation Change Depth: 8ft (Ave), 22ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeep Trail 900 up, 600 down 5 mi (4.5 on trail)

> > Abundant

Species Present **Abundance Status** 

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2017 **Brook Trout** 10.4 9.4-11.5 18 2006 **Brook Trout** 16 9.7 6.0-11.5

Comments: 2017 FWP sample with angling. Brookies were nice sized but a little tougher to catch than surrounding lakes. The outlet from

Hunger Lake #47 flows into sliver lake and during high flows some eb make it to sliver lake.

Self-Sustained

## Spogen Lake (Little Falls Lake)

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Trails from the Beartooth Butte area on Hwy 212 serve the area. The lake is

Camp sites: Nice campsites, plenty of firewood.

east of Lake Elaine and Green Lake.

Location: 45.02604, -109.6502 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 209

Section: 9S17E20

Elevation: 9594 ft

Size: 12.01 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 15ft (Ave), 40ft (Max) Clay Butte 10 mi (9.75 on trail) 800 up, 640 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Abundant	Self-Sustained

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2015	Brook Trout	22	7.4	5.5-8.9
2005	Brook Trout	18	7.2	6.3-9.3

Comments: One of the prettiest spots in the world. The over abundant Brook Trout would benefit from some harvest. Legal harvest of

Brook Trout is encouraged here.

The 2015 sample was obtained by angling for 1.5 hours. There were some very skinny fish sampled in 2015.

#### Star Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Star Lake is on the Goose Lake Jeep Trail. A 4x4 truck can make it to the lake

Elevation: 9778 ft but it won't necessarily like doing it. Roughly a 4 mile hike in from the start of

the Jeep trail.

Location: 45.09507, -109.90912 (Map) Marcuson's Code: 14

Camp sites: Some camping sites. Firewood available but not plentiful. Next to Jeep Trail. Section: 08S15E31

Size: 7.9 acres **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 15ft (Ave), 36ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeep Trail 0 mi (0 on trail) 0 up, 0 down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Stocked

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> Planned **Brook Trout** 10,000 in 1940 4,060 in 1964 **Cutthroat Trout** Rainbow Trout 5,575 in 1959 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 790 in 2016; 790 in 2012 1,185 in 2023

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	19	9.7	7.9-13.2
2014	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	12	10.4	8.4-15.1

Comments: The lake is stocked on a 4 year cycle because the proximity to the Goose Lake Jeep Trail.

A 2018 sample found Yellowstone cutthroat in average condition with the larger ones being a little thin.

#### Stash Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Goose Lake Jeep Trail - lady of the Lake Creek - Broadwater River. Then up

Elevation: 10001 ft the north side of sky top creek to 1/2 mile past Aero Creek then east.

Location: 45.09211, -109.83533 (Map) Camp sites: A few places to pitch a tent. Some firewood is available.

Marcuson's Code: 55

Section: 08S15E35 Elevation Change Trailhead **Distance** Size: 3.1 acres Goose Lake Jeep Trail 7 mi (5 on trail) 3400 up, 600 down Depth: 9ft (Ave), 24ft (Max) Lady Of The Lake 9 mi (7 on trail) 3550 ft up, 400 ft down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Yellowstone Cutthroat Common

Planned Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 310 in 2015; 310 in 2007 310 in 2023

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 10.4-10.9 2017 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 10.6 9 2010 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 20 10.9 7.4-13.3

Comments: 2017 sample obtained with angling. Good fishing for 10-11 inchers. Fish looked in great shape for 2 year olds. Should be a

great fishery in the next few years.

Stocked

#### **Summerville Lake**

**Drainage:** Clarks Fork **Elevation:** 9601 ft

Access: Trail #618 4 mi to fork. Then 6 miles to Thiel Lake test on to kidney lake. Ford

Camp sites: Some firewood available but a lack of nice flat camp spots.

Creek at wright lake test take trail to green lake. Head n thru saddle.

**Location:** 45.04737, -109.66577 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 174

 Section:
 09S17E18
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 43.0 acres
 Clay Butte
 12 mi (12 on trail)
 1300 up, 600 down

 Depth:
 20ft (Ave), 50ft (Max)
 Muddy Creek, Crazy Lks
 None mi (None on trail)
 None ft up, None ft down

Species PresentAbundanceStatusBrook TroutAbundantSelf-Sustained

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Brook Trout	14	8.3	7.0-9.2
1995	Brook Trout	34	8.8	6.3-11.2

Comments: Typical Brookie Lake. Inlet has good spawning potential.

'95 fish were average to thin. 2012 FWP survey 3 hr net set caught 14 EB / 2 angled 1 hr caught 16 EB. 1 Col. Sp. Frog seen.

## **Surprise Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: Long Lake toward lady of the lake then n to Broadwater River up n side of

Elevation: 9922 ft Skytop Creek to Aero Creek. Then s to cliff-sliver-moccasin-weasel-surprise.

Location: 45.0878, -109.83146 (Map) Camp sites: Little used. Some nice camping sites. Firewood is available.

Marcuson's Code: 54

 Section:
 08S15E35
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 7.1 acres
 Goose Lake Jeep Trail
 6 mi (3 on trail)
 1300 up, 600 down

 Depth:
 6ft (Ave), 33ft (Max)
 Lady Of The Lake
 7.5 mi (4.5 on trail)
 1600 ft up, 450 ft down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Yellowstone Cutthroat
 Common
 Stock, with some natural reproduction

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 700 in 1993; 400 in 1989

SurveysSpecies# of fishAve Length (in)Range (in)2017Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout1011.77.2-13.82009Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout159.76.4-13.9

Comments: This lake was producing the trophy fishery as intended. We've stopped its 8 year stocking rotation to account for the natural reproduction. FWP sampled in 2017. Caught 4 YCT in a 4.5 hr net set and 4 YCT with 1 hr of angling. Last 2 FWP surveys

caught YCT 6-14 inches

#### Swamp Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Take the trail up lady of the Lake Creek (#31). Then head east - cross country

*Elevation:* 8994 ft - from the outlet of lady of the lake.

Location: 45.06217, -109.88082 (Map) Camp sites: There are a few nice camp sites. Plenty of firewood. No sign of '88 fire.

Marcuson's Code: 17

Section: 09S15E8

Size:10.4 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:7ft (Ave), 21ft (Max)Lady Of The Lake3 mi (1.5 on trail)600 up, 450 down

7ft (Ave), 21ft (Max)

Lady Of The Lake 3 mi (1.5 on trail) 600 up, 450 down

Species Present Abundance Status

Stocking Data Historic Planned
Arctic Grayling 500 in 1985

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 1,040 in 2015; 1,040 in 2009 1,040 in 2021

Common

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2019
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 20
 14.5
 12.5-16.3

 2017
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 31
 12.0
 10.6-19.4

Stocked

Comments: Most of the area around the lake is somewhat boggy. FWP sampled 2019 with angling. Fish looked in good shape. The small

pond below has brook trout

Yellowstone Cutthroat

#### **Thiel Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: Trails from Hwy 212 near Beartooth Butte serve the area. The lake is east of

Elevation: 9233 ft granite lake.

Location: 45.00747, -109.64628 (Map) Camp sites: Nice campsites. Plenty of firewood available. Some trash.

Marcuson's Code: 232

Section: 09S17E28

Size:18.5 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:13ft (Ave), 35ft (Max)Clay Butte6 mi (6 on trail)100 up, 280 down

Species PresentAbundanceStatusBrook TroutAbundantSelf-Sustained

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> <u>Planned</u>

Brook Trout 5,000 in 1940; 4,000 in 1937

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2014
 Brook Trout
 33
 7.7
 5.6-10.2

 2003
 Brook Trout
 8
 6.4
 5.7-7.0

Comments: The vegetation is plentiful along the shoreline. The area is frequented by grizzly bears.

33 of the 34 fish sampled collected by angling and of the 33 fish 20 were obtained at the small pond in the outlet.

## Throop Lake (Swede Lake)

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: Four miles on clay Butte Trail to Thiel Lake trail. Past Thiel Lake 1/2 mile to

**Elevation:** 9804 ft swede lake outlet stream. Stay on east side of stream.

Location: 45.01344, -109.63103 (Map) Camp sites: Nice campsites and some firewood available. No sign of 88 fire

Marcuson's Code: 235

 Section:
 9S17E28
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 9.55 acres
 Clay Butte #618
 7 mi (6.5 on trail)
 600 up, 280 down

 Depth:
 84ft (Max)
 Muddy Creek
 9 mi (8.5 on trail)
 1000 ft up, 0 ft down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Yellowstone Cutthroat
 Abundant
 Self-Sustained

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Arctic Grayling
 15,000 in 1955
 750 in 2020

 Brook Trout
 7,180 in 1937

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2018
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 19
 12.2
 7.4-16.2

 2012
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 32
 10.1
 7.0-18.1

**Comments:** The 2018 sample was obtained with angling and netting. Multiple size classes of cutthroat were caught indicating successful recruitment. MTFWP will continue to monitor to see if this lake remains self sustaining.

#### **Trail Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: Trails from the Beartooth Butte area on Hwy 212 serve the area. The lake is

**Elevation:** 9702 ft east of Lake Elaine.

Location: 45.02974, -109.65262 (Map) Camp sites: A couple of nice places. Plenty of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 208 Section: 09S17E20

Species Present

Size: 7.1 acres <u>Trailhead</u> <u>Distance</u> <u>Elevation Change</u>

**Abundance** 

 Depth:
 22ft (Ave), 55ft (Max)
 Clay Butte
 10.5 mi (10.5 on trail)
 980 up, 640 down

Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Stocked

Stocking Data
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 535 in 2019; 535 in 2011

**Status** 

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2015
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 4
 16.6
 14.5-17.5

 2009
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 9
 14.1
 13.5-14.7

Comments: In 2015 it was a good gill net set and suspect a low abundance of fish present.

## **Triangle Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Take Trail #567 from Kersey Lake to russel lake. From russel head east 3.5

Elevation: 9840 ft miles. The lake is NE of otter lake.

Location: 45.05687, -109.73444 (Map)

Camp sites: Some wood and some places to camp

Marcuson's Code: 110

Section: 09S16E10

Size:6.3 acresIrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:29ft (Ave), 55ft (Max)Clarks Fork10 mi (9.75 on trail)2100 up, 280 down

Species Present<br/>Yellowstone CutthroatAbundance<br/>CommonStatus<br/>Stocked

Stocking Data Historic Planned
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 470 in 2019; 630 in 2011

SurveysSpecies# of fishAve Length (in)Range (in)2016Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout811.69.9-13.02010Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout1413.310.7-14.8

Comments: FWP surveyed 2016 6hr day set and angling. Fish were picky, tough to catch. Cruising fish refused most offerings. Fish caught

were in good shape.

## Triskele Lake (Wednesday Lake)

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: 8+ miles up from Island Lake. Good Trail to golden lake then over the hill

southeast. It's the first lake upstream from cloverleaf lake #217.

Location: 45.04056, -109.60605 (Map) Camp sites: Questionable camping. No firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 218

**Section:** 09S17E15 **Size:** 5.217 acres

Elevation: 10194 ft

Size:5.217 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:4ft (Ave), 12ft (Max)Island Lake Wy8.5 mi (6 on trail)1000 up, 200 down

Species Present Abundance Status Yellowstone Cutthroat Abundant Self-Sustained Surveys # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2016 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 20 7.3-15.3 10.9 2005 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 14 10.8 7.0-15.0

**Comments:** This lake was considered fishless till dennis Hagenston caught 12" cutthroats (average condition) summer 1995. Fish likely migrated up from Cloverleafs. FWP sample in 2016 caught 20 YCT in 5 hr net set.

## Two Bits Lake (Tuesday Lake)

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: 8+ miles up from Island Lake. Good Trail to golden lake then over the hill

Elevation: 10194 ft southeast.

Location: 45.04637, -109.60295 (Map) Camp sites: Camping is tough, rocky. Firewood is scarce.

Marcuson's Code: None

**Section:** 09S17E14

Size:13.1177 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:16ft (Ave), 16ft (Max)Island Lake WY8.5 mi (6.5 on trail)1100 up, 200 down

Species Present **Abundance** Status Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Self-Sustained # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys **Species** 2016 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 18.4 8.7-22.4 2013 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 12.1-17.9 14 15.2

Comments: Yellowstone Cutthroat likely migrated here from Cloverleaf lakes.

## **Unnamed Lake 89a**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Usfs Trail #567 from Kersey Lake. From the saddle near Fossil Lake head to Elevation: 10230 ft

the west and north of windy lake. Take the 3rd draw heading north.

Location: 45.10786, -109.81032 (Map) Camp sites: Few good campsites. Rocky, camp below. No firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 89A

Section: 8S15E25

Size: 2.39 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 7ft (Ave), 17ft (Max) Clarks Fork 11.5 mi (9.5 on trail) 2480 up, 280 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Self-Sustained

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2016	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	28	9.4	5.1-16.3
1996	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	11	8.6	6.9-13.4

Comments: Trout moved down from stephanie. These fish appear to be reproducing. No Trails. No horse traffic.

Many fish in this lake.

## **Upper Aero Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Long Lake Trailhead north to Zimmer Creek. Good trail to lower aero up

Elevation: 10162 ft Zimmer Creek test over saddle. Path around west side. Possible day hike. Camp sites: A few decent flat spots. No firewood. Beautiful view.

Location: 45.12739, -109.83849 (Map) Marcuson's Code: 31

Section: 8S15E14

Elevation Change Trailhead **Distance** Size: 230.528 acres Goose Lake Jeep Trail 7 mi (6 on trail) 1400 up, 650 down Lady Of The Lake 8.5 mi (7.5 on trail) 1600 ft up, 250 ft down

Depth:

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Abundant	Stocked
Stocking Data	Historic	Planned
Cutthroat Trout	2,110 in 1959; 16,000 in 1946	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	30,000 in 2018; 28,000 in 2012	30,000 in 2023; 30,000 in 2024
<u>Surveys</u> <u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in) Range (in)

Surveys	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	No Fish Caught	0		
2016	No Fish Caught	0		

Comments: Upper Aero Lake was stocked with YCT in 2012 however FWP surveys in 2016 and 2017 caught no fish. The lake received

another plant of YCT in 2018.

## Upper Mud Lake (Schoolarm Lake)

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: No Trails lead to the lake, but it's an easy walk off of the Goose Lake jeep

Elevation: 9463 ft

Location: 45.06809, -109.91205 (Map) Camp sites: Beautiful spot with excellent camping and good firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 5

Section: 9S15E7

Size: 2.6 acres **Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** Depth: 25ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeen Trail 5 mi (0 on trail) 100 up 0 down

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Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>S</u>	Status	
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Abundant	S	Stocked	

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	150 in 2019: 150 in 2013	150 in 2023

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	No Fish Caught	0		
2018	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	7	17.3	14.3-19.5
2011	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	12	13.4	11.6-15.0

Comments: Upper Mud is outside of the A-B Wilderness. It is a pretty lake with nice views. Fish can grow fairly large here. The 2018 FWP sample caught 7 YCT that averaged 17 inches.

## Varve Lake (Forsaken Lake)

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: North of Flatrock Lake near the west fork of Rock Creek and the clark's fork

**Elevation:** 10465 ft divide.

**Location:** 45.07967, -109.63329 (Map) **Camp sites:** No firewood. 1 or 2 campsites.

Marcuson's Code: 198

 Section:
 9S17E4
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 26.44 acres
 Clay Butte
 18 mi (15.5 on trail)
 1900 up, 900 down

 Depth:
 66ft (Max)
 Muddy Creek
 19 mi (16.5 on trail)
 2500 ft up, 200 ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Abundant	Stocked

Stocking DataHistoricPlannedYellowstone Cutthroat Trout1,000 in 2018; 2,288 in 20101,525 in 2025

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	No Fish Caught	0		
2017	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	2	14.2	12.2-16.2
2009	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	18	12.6	10.9-14.1

**Comments:** This is the 2nd highest fishery in the state Growth rate has been rather poor. 2017 FWP sampled with angling and net. No fish caught angling, 2 caught in the net. Huge midge hatch occurred while the crew was there.

#### **Vernon Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: Good Foot Trail from Kersey Lake. Leave main trail SE just before Kersey

Elevation: 7977 ft Lake. Then 1.5 miles.

Location: 45.00927, -109.83209 (Map) Camp sites: Lots of use. Camping good on south side. Firewood picked over.

Marcuson's Code: 68

**Section:** 09S15E35 **Size:** 8.2 acres

Size:8.2 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:17ft (Ave), 32ft (Max)Clarks Fork3 mi (3 on trail)300 up, 200 down

Species Present	Abundance	Status
Brook Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Self-Sustained

Stocking Data Historic Planned
Brook Trout 4.800 in 1947

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2015	Brook Trout	2	6.2	5.6-6.7
2015	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	11	13.5	6.0-15.5
2008	Brook Trout	2	15.3	14.1-16.5
2008	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	18	11.8	6.8-17.3

Comments: Bear country!

The 2015 gill net set was a 4 hour daytime set. Six of the eleven Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout from the 2015 sample were obtained with 2 angling hours. Both the Yellowstone Cutthroat and Brook Trout were in excellent condition.

## Wand Lake (Amphitheater Lake)

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Take Trail 567 from Kersey Lake to Russel Lake. From Russel Lake head

**Elevation:** 9420 ft east ~1.5 miles of decent path.

Location: 45.06589, -109.76867 (Map) Camp sites: Nice campsites. Firewood available but not abundant. Very little use.

Marcuson's Code: 101

Section: 9S16E4

Size: 7.4 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth: 8ft (Ave), 16ft (Max)Clarks Fork7.5 mi (7.5 on trail)1600 up, 280 down

Species Preser	<u>nt</u>	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Common		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2014	Brook Trout		22	7.4	5.6-8.7
1992	Brook Trout		9	7.8	5.8-10.4

Comments: Brook trout were easy to catch. This location is not used excessively. Occasional winter kill may occur.

#### Weasel Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Leave Goose Lake Jeep Trail near long lake. Head up sky Top Creek to Aero

Elevation: 9991 ft Creek. Head east 1.5 miles.

Location: 45.08843, -109.83581 (Map) Camp sites: Pretty place, couple camp spots. Limited firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 54A

Section: 08S15E35 **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Size: 3.7 acres Goose Lake Jeep Trail 5 mi (2.5 on trail) 1450 up, 830 down Depth: 7ft (Ave), 20ft (Max) Lady Of The Lake 7 mi (4.5 on trail) 1700 ft up, 200 ft down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Stocked Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> <u>Planned</u>

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 185 in 2013; 370 in 2005 185 in 2021 Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in)

Range (in) 2017 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 14.3 8 13.2-14.8 2010 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 23 11.5 10.2-12.6

Comments: 2017 FWP sampled with angling. YCT were in great shape and good size for 4 year olds. 2013 plant numbers were cut in half. It looks like it worked. There should be good size fish here for a few years.

#### Widewater Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Usfs Trail #567 to Kersey Lake. Then head east on Trail #3. Total trip ~6

Elevation: 8003 ft miles. Much deadfall surrounding lake.

Location: 45.01385, -109.77801 (Map) Camp sites: Lots of firewood and good camping can be found around this large lake

Marcuson's Code: 72

Section: 09S16E29 Size: 110.0 acres

**Trailhead Distance Elevation Change Depth:** 54ft (Ave), 110ft (Max) Clarks Fork 6.5 mi (6 on trail) 300 up, 325 down

Species Present Abundance Status Self-Sustained **Brook Trout** Common Rainbow Trout Self-Sustained Common

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Brook Trout	22	9.4	8.1-12.9
2018	Rainbow Trout	4	13.4	11.6-14.2
2004	Brook Trout	3	9.2	8.3-10.0
2004	Rainbow Trout	11	12.3	11.0-13.5

Comments: Widewater is a very large lake with self sustaining Rainbows and Brookies. The MTFWP sample in 2018 caught 4 RB and 22 EB with netting and angling.

## Widowed Lake

Drainage: Clarks Fork Access: Approximately 8 miles east of Kersey Lake via canyon lake or 12 miles from

Elevation: 9994 ft Kersey via russel test otter lakes.

Location: 45.05432, -109.71051 (Map) Camp sites: Questionable camp spots. Scarce firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 123 Section: 09S16E11

Size: 3.2 acres

**Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 6ft (Ave), 15ft (Max) Ivy Lk Jeep Trail #130 9.5 mi (8.25 on trail) 2650 up, 700 down

Species Present **Abundance** Status 5 4 1 Golden Trout Unknown Unknown # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys **Species** 2007 No Fish Caught 0 1999 No Fish Caught 0

Comments: Lowest Lake in the desolation lake chain. GT were first planted in Desolation lake upstream in '82. Downstream movement was the goal. No fish have been caught in FWP samples

## **Wiedy Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: Trail #31 to lady of the lake. Cross the outlet stream here and at swamp lake

**Elevation:** 8994 ft to the east. Then continue east to weidy.

Location: 45.06116, -109.87244 (Map) Camp sites: Adequate camping areas with plenty of firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 18

Section: 09S15E9

Size: 7.0 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth: 27ft (Ave), 68ft (Max)Lady Of The Lake3.5 mi (1.5 on trail)670 up, 400 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stocked
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Arctic Grayling	300 in 1985	525 in 2022
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	525 in 2019; 525 in 2013	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2019	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	11	13.2	12.4-13.9
2017	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	13	12.0	10.2-12.8

Comments: This is a high density mosquito area. Beware of grizzly bears! The 2019 sample caught 11 YCT in overnight net set. Males and

females were ripe.

## **Wright Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: Trails from the Beartooth Butte area on Hwy 212 serve the area. The lake is

**Elevation:** 9650 ft east of Lake Elaine and Green Lake.

**Location:** 45.02872, -109.64508 (Map) **Camp sites:** Excellent camping. Plenty of firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 210

Section: 09S17E21 Size: 7.9 acres

Size: 7.9 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth: 40ft (Max)Clarks Fork9.75 mi (9.75 on trail)800 up, 620 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Abundant		Self-Sustained	
Stocking Data		Historic		Planned	
Brook Trout		9,600 in 1937		<u>r Idilliod</u>	
Cumiouo	Charina		# of fich	Ava Langth (in)	Dongo (in)
<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)

<u>Surveys</u>	Species	# Of fish	Ave Length (In)	Range (In)
2015	Brook Trout	44	8.0	5.8-10.3
2006	Brook Trout	28	8.7	7.3-9.3

Comments: Lots of easy to catch Brook Trout.

In the 2015 survey 15 of the 44 fish sampled was collected with 1 hour of angling. In 2015 the fish appeared in good condition but the downward trend in average size suggest some harvest may be beneficial.

#### **Zimmer Lake**

Drainage: Clarks Fork

Access: East of Goose Lake. No Trail. Or one can hike up lady of the Lake Creek,

Elevation: 10191 ft then north up zimmer creek. Good trail. Long lake trailhead is shorter.

Location: 45.11927, -109.88316 (Map) Camp sites: No firewood. Poor camping. Camp below.

Marcuson's Code: 28

 Section:
 08S15E20
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 26.0 acres
 Goose Lake Jeep Trail
 5 mi (4 on trail)
 1420 up, 560 down

 Depth:
 24ft (Ave), 55ft (Max)
 Lady Of The Lake
 6.5 mi (5.5 on trail)
 1580 ft up, 80 ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stocked	
Stocking Data	Historic	Planned	
Brook Trout	12,517 in 1936	<u> </u>	
Cutthroat Trout	2,110 in 1959		
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	2,600 in 2016; 2,600 in 2008	2,600 in 2024	

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	10	11.1	8.9-13.0
1997	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	12	9.6	8.7-11.4

Comments: Some reproduction occurs but 8 year stocking cycle is needed to support a fishery.

The long winters of '96 test '97 may have slowed growth here. 2012 FWP survey 5.5 hr set 2 angled 2.5 hrs 10 YCT caught /

healthy.

## East Rosebud Drainage

## Arch Lake, Little

Drainage: East Rosebud Lake then 3 miles up the south side

Elevation: 10103 ft of Arch Creek (no trail). See below.

Location: 45.1736, -109.72801 (Map) Camp sites: Little obvious use, rocky. Camping best at lower Arch Lake.

Marcuson's Code: 43 Section: 7S16E35

Size: 7.18 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth: 54ft (Max)Alpine (east Rosebud)8 mi (3.5 on trail)3900 up, 100 down

Species Present Status **Abundance** Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Stocked Surveys Species # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 14.3-16.6 2013 20 15.4

22

12.8

13.1

Comments: '85 plant may have gone into upper Arch Lake. 8 - year stocking rotation. #'s lowered to 75/acre in 1997. Stay south of the

creek when you can see the falls. Timber bushwacking-is a mess.

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

When sampled in 2013 fish were in good condition.

#### Arch Lake, Lower

Drainage: East Rosebud Lake. Cross Creek above elk

Elevation: 9594 ft lake. Steep hike up the south side of Arch Creek. No trail. Timber,

Location: 45.16512, -109.72092 (Map) bushwacking is a mess.

Marcuson's Code: 41 Camp sites: Plenty of firewood and campsites available.

Section: 08S16E2

1996

Size:24.3 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:39ft (Ave), 95ft (Max)Alpine (east Rosebud)7 mi (3.5 on trail)3300 up, 100 down

Species Prese	<u>ent</u>	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone C	Cutthroat	Abundant		Self-Sustained	
Stocking Data	1	Historic		Planned	
Yellowstone C	Cutthroat Trout	6,240 in 1971			
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2013	Yellowstone Cutt	hroat Trout	25	11.2	8 0-14 1

Comments: No additional management needed if fish continue to reproduce.

Fish were abundant during 2013 survey.

## **Big Park Lake**

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: The lake is a wide spot at the confluence of east rosebud and Granite Creeks

Elevation: 8394 ft 12 miles from east rosebud lake.

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

Location: 45.12503, -109.72215 (Map) Camp sites: Camping is good at the west end and firewood is abundant.

Marcuson's Code: 19

Section: 08S16E14

1996

Size: 7.8 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth: 1ft (Ave), 3ft (Max)Alpine (east Rosebud)12 mi (12 on trail)2200 up, 160 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Self-Sustained
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Self-Sustained

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>	
Golden Trout	1,600 in 1955		

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	11	8.9	6.5-11.8
2001	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	12	8.8	6.4-14.6

**Comments:** Fishery is part of the creek environment. No additional management needed as reproduction appears good. This lake (slough) is right on the trail but the shoreline is very marshy.

No golden trout seen or sampled in 1990. Fish have moved downstream From Lakes above. '90 fish were fat. 11 YCT angled in 2012 .5 hrs. x 2

11.9-14.1

10.9-15.6

#### Billy Lake

Drainage: East Rosebud

Elevation: 10188 ft

Location: 45.12209, -109.78574 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 30

Section: 08S16E20

Size: 10.5 acres Depth: 16ft (Ave), 56ft (Max) Access: Downstream from Cairn Lake near the south side of granite peak. Northwest

of dewey lake.

Camp sites: No fires allowed. Well above tree line. Poor campsites-rocky.

Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Alpine (east Rosebud) 16.5 mi (15.25 on trail) 4110 up, 160 down

Species Present **Abundance Status Brook Trout** Common Self-Sustained

# of fish Surveys **Species** Ave Length (in) Range (in) **Brook Trout** 6.6-13.8 2014 37 9.5 2007 **Brook Trout** 15 8.3-13.0 11.4

Comments: The legal harvest of brook trout is strongly encouraged. If brook trout move downstream of Billy Lake they will negatively

impact other downstream species.

No sign of fish from the falls below Billy Lake to Oly lake.

#### Brent Lake

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: 7 miles up Phantom Creek Trail near east Rosebud Lake. Then 3 miles

Elevation: 10194 ft x-country upstream from phantom lake.

Location: 45.17355, -109.75479 (Map) Camp sites: Camping is fair. Firewood is scarce. Best to camp below at Phantom Lake

Marcuson's Code: 50

Section: 07S16E33

Size: 14.6207 acres **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 76ft (Max) Phantom Creek 10 mi (7 on trail) 4100 up, 0 down

**Abundance** Species Present **Status** Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Self-Sustained

# of fish Range (in) Surveys **Species** Ave Length (in) 2012 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 8 16.5 11.1-19.9 2003 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 12.8-19.5 6 17.2

Comments: Fish can move into this lake from Turgulse Lake.

Five of the eight fish were captured using angling

#### Cairn Lake

Access: Leave Trail #15 between fossil and Dewey Lakes. Hike up the east side of Drainage: East Rosebud

Elevation: 10184 ft Cairn Creek ~2 1/4 miles. Long lake jeep trail 7 hrs in 5 out.

Location: 45.13039, -109.79595 (Map) Camp sites: Good campsites. No firewoood. No fires permitted.

Marcuson's Code: 31

Section: 08S16E18 Size: 148.3 acres **Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** Alpine (east Rosebud) 17.0 mi (15.25 on trail) 4150 up, 200 down

**Depth:** 54ft (Ave), 125ft (Max) Long Lake Jeep Trail 8.0 mi (3 on trail) 1800 ft up, 800 ft down Species Present **Abundance Status** Brook Trout Self-Sustained

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> **Planned** 4,800 in 1955 Golden Trout

Common

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 10,010 in 1968

Ave Length (in) # of fish Surveys **Species** Range (in) 2014 **Brook Trout** 30 10.9 6.6-15.1 2005 **Brook Trout** 10 14.5 12.5-15.5

Comments: Some of the brook trout in Cairn Lake grow to respectable size.

#### **Crow Lake**

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: Trail from east Rosebud Lake to sylvan lake. Also accessible from lake mary

Elevation: 9194 ft on the west fork of Rock Creek.

Location: 45.17869, -109.57085 (Map) Camp sites: Fuel for fires is limited.

Marcuson's Code: 1

**Section:** 07S17E36

Size:11.4 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:35ft (Ave), 72ft (Max)Sylvan Lake #137.5 mi (7.5 on trail)3200 up, 350 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Abundant	Self-Sustained
0. 1: 5.	11: 4	5

Stocking Data Historic Planned
Brook Trout 11,200 in 1934; 18,000 in 1933

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2012
 Brook Trout
 8
 10.6
 7.8-13.0

 1994
 Brook Trout
 34
 11.2
 10.2-13.0

**Comments:** Beautiful Lake. No special management recommended.

Nice population of brookies. 2012 survey 4 hr. set 8 EB caught.

## **Dewey Lake**

Drainage: East Rosebud Lake and 1 mile downstream from Fossil

Elevation: 9394 ft Lake. Good Trail.

Location: 45.10984, -109.75734 (Map) Camp sites: Good campsites. Firewood is available but no fires permitted.

Marcuson's Code: 23

**Section:** 08S16E28

Size:37.3 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:41ft (Ave), 95ft (Max)Alpine (east Rosebud)14.5 mi (14.5 on trail)3300 up, 160 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Self-Sustained
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Golden Trout	4,800 in 1955	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	3 706 in 1985: 3 738 in 1981	

<u>Surveys</u>	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	13	11.3	8.6-13.4
2001	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	6	12.3	10.0-14.2

**Comments:** Golden's were planted in '55. YCT's were stocked in 1968 and 1981 and are self sustaining at present. No sign of the goldens and YCT are pure. Inlet appears ideal for spawning. This is a logical stopping point for a camp along the 'beaten path'.

## **Duggan Lake**

Drainage:East RosebudAccess:The lake is a wide spot in east Rosebud Creek.Elevation:8899 ftCamp sites:Camping available but firewood is limited.

Location: 45.11763, -109.7387 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 21

Section: 08S16E22

Size: 4.4 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth: 10ft (Max)Alpine (east Rosebud)13.5 mi (13.5 on trail)2800 up, 200 down

Species Present Yellowstone Cutthroat		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
		Common		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Yellowstone Cut	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout		10.0	10.0-10.0

Comments: Fishery is part of the stream environment. No management plans proposed.

9.1" cutthroat caught 8/6/87 age 3 or 4. '98 - Ed Keyser and crew caught 14"ers, saw larger.

# **East Rosebud Lake**

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: Approximately 45 miles south of Columbus, MT. Accessible by two-wheel

Elevation: 6206 ft drive vehicle.

Camp sites: USFS campground on the east side. **Location:** 45.19423, -109.64268 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 3

**Section:** 07S17E21

Size: 111.7 acres **Trailhead** Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 9ft (Ave), 20ft (Max) Alpine (east Rosebud) DRIVE mi (TOLAKE on trail) None up, None down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Rare	Self-Sustained
Brown Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Rainbow Trout	Common	Stocked
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Rare	Unknown

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	Planned
Brown Trout	44,100 in 1981; 600 in 1979	
Cutthroat Trout	150,000 in 1936; 40,000 in 1934	
Rainbow Trout	5,491 in 2019; 3,156 in 2018	6,000 in 2020; 6,000 in 2021
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	5,867 in 1997; 9,948 in 1989	

Surveys	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Brook Trout	1	12.1	12.1-12.1
2017	Brown Trout	35	15.4	8.9-26.5
2014	Brown Trout	35	15.1	9.3-26.7
2014	Longnose Sucker	30	16.0	7.7-19.7

Comments: The possibilty that mcbride CT will become self sustaining appears unlikely. Desmet rainbow plants began in 1990.

Surveyed with 2 sinking and 2 floating nets

'00 plant was short due to hatchery rebuild. '01 fish were 6-7". 3 plants, 6" RB's, 2,000 each - late May, late June, late July. 34 Longnose Suckers and 11 Mountain Whitefish sampled in 2014

#### **Echo Lake**

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: 2 day hike from e Rosebud Lake on Trail #15 to just past big park lake. Take

the right fork up Granite Creek. Trail is good enough for horses Elevation: 8620 ft Camp sites: Plenty of campsites. Firewood is available but picked over.

Location: 45.13068, -109.74808 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 37

**Section:** 08S16E15

**Size:** 12.2 acres **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 9ft (Ave), 21ft (Max) Alpine (east Rosebud) 13.5 mi (13.5 on trail) 2500 up, 200 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Self-Sustained	
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	7,056 in 1971		

<u>Surveys</u>	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	11	9.9	7.4-15.8
2007	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	13	12.7	10.3-18.5

Comments: This lake is a good choice to get off the main trail. FWP sampled with overnight net sets in 2007 and 2017. Average size YCT

were in good shape

#### Elk Lake

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: First Lake upstream from East Rosebud Lake on Trail #15.

**Elevation:** 6796 ft **Camp sites:** Nice camping, some firewood.

**Location:** 45.16454, -109.66004 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 6

Section: 08S17E5

Size: 7.3 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth: 2ft (Ave), 5ft (Max)Alpine (east Rosebud)3 mi (3 on trail)600 up, 50 down

Species PresentAbundanceStatusBrook TroutAbundantSelf-SustainedRainbow TroutRareSelf-Sustained

Stocking Data Historic Planned
Rainbow Trout 6,816 in 1948; 7,365 in 1947

# of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys **Species Brook Trout** 6.0-10.5 2015 12 8.1 2015 Rainbow Trout 2 10.9 10.4-11.5 2007 **Brook Trout** 6.5-10.0 16 8.3 2007 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 8.5 8.5-8.5

Comments: The 2015 gill net set was a 2 hour daytime set. The 2015 net set was poor. In 2015, one of the two rainbow trout sampled was

collected by angling for 2 hours.

## **Fossil Lake**

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: Easily reached By Trail from cooke city or east Rosebud Lake. This is the

Elevation: 9896 ft most heavily used trail in the beartooths.

Location: 45.092, -109.7905 (Map) Camp sites: No firewood. Camping best away from the lake. No trees.

Marcuson's Code: 25

 Section:
 08S16E31
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 164.7 acres
 Clarks Fork
 10 mi (10 on trail)
 2400 up, 200 down

 Depth:
 37ft (Ave), 150ft (Max)
 Alpine (east Rosebud)
 16 mi (16 on trail)
 3692 ft up, 300 ft down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Yellowstone Cutthroat
 Abundant
 Stock, with some natural reproduction

 Yellowstone Cutthroat
 Abundant
 Stock, with some natural reproduction

Stocking DataHistoricPlannedYellowstone Cutthroat Trout9,000 in 2017; 10,000 in 201410,000 in 2022

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2012
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 12
 10.8
 9.2-14.0

 2005
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 34
 12.1
 6.5-15.5

Comments: The lake receives plenty of use as it is a popular camping spot along the beaten path trail.

The 2012 FWP survey caught 12 YCT netting and angled 19. Fish spawn in the inlets and outlet and there is some evidence of

recruitment.

# Froze-to-death Lake (Froze To Death Lake)

Yellowstone Cutthroat

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: West of east Rosebud Lake above phantom lake. ~10 miles of steep

Elevation: 10175 ft Unmaintained Trail. 4,000 ft gain in elevation.

Location: 45.18073, -109.74536 (Map)

Camp sites: Scarce firewood. Several nice campsites.

Marcuson's Code: 48

Section: 7S16E34

Size:68.96 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:54ft (Ave), 195ft (Max)Phantom Creek9 mi (7 on trail)4050 up, 0 down

Abundant

Species Present
Yellowstone Cutthroat
Abundant
Abundant
Self-Sustained

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 10,000 in 1978

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2012
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 33
 11.6
 6.3-14.0

 2003
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 8
 10.5
 6.5-14.5

Comments: 2012 FWP survey 33 YCT caught 15.5 hr. netting.

Self-Sustained

#### Lake At Falls

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: 11 miles from the trailhead at East Rosebud Lake - Trail #15. Elevation: 8200 ft Camp sites: Couple of good camp spots. Firewood available but picked over.

Location: 45.12356, -109.7071 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 12

Section: 08S16E23

**Size:** 49.8 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 19ft (Ave), 50ft (Max) Alpine (east Rosebud) 11 mi (11 on trail) 2100 up, 200 down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Yellowstone Cutthroat Rare Unknown Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout X Golden Trout Common Self-Sustained

Stocking Data **Planned** <u>Historic</u> 6,400 in 1955 Golden Trout

# of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys **Species** 2015 10.8-15.7 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 27 13.8 2007 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 34 11.4 7.0-15.0

Comments: Heavily used but fishery appears in good shape.

The 2015 sampled was obtained by angling for 5.5 hours. Visual appearance of hybrid fish look more like Yellowstone

Cutthroat Trout.

## Little Arch Lake

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: 3.5 miles Up Trail #15 above east rosebud lk. Cross Creek above elk lk. Then Elevation: 10027 ft

a steep hike up the s side of Arch Creek (no trail). Timber bushwacking is a

Location: 45.15813, -109.73789 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 42 Camp sites: Rocky, no firewood. Camping best at lower Arch Lake.

Section: 8S16E3

Size: 50.235 acres **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Alpine (east Rosebud) 8 mi (3.5 on trail) 3900 up, 100 down Depth:

Species Present **Abundance** Status 5 4 1 Self-Sustained Yellowstone Cutthroat Abundant

Stocking Data **Historic** Planned Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 488 in 2013; 488 in 2005 488 in 2021; 488 in 2025

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
1996	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	33	12.6	8.3-15.7
1987	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	39	11.1	6.6-14.5

Comments:

#### Little Scat Lake

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: 10 miles From Trailhead at east Rosebud Lake. No trail for the last 2 miles

Elevation: 9394 ft from lake at falls. Very difficult climb.

Location: 45.10881, -109.71298 (Map) Camp sites: No adequate camping tho' some firewood is available.

Marcuson's Code: 15

**Section:** 08S16E23 Size: 5.0 acres

**Trailhead** Elevation Change **Distance** Depth: 1ft (Ave), 3ft (Max) Alpine (east Rosebud) 13.8 mi (11.5 on trail) 3400 up, 200 down

**Historic** 

Species Present **Abundance** Status 5 4 1 Golden Trout Common Stocked Stocking Data

**Planned** 

500 in 2023

500 in 2017; 500 in 2012 Surveys Species # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 1990 No Fish Caught 0

Comments: Little scat was planted to distribute GT downstream into Scat Lake and Martin Lake. Replant the chain with goldens but this time into scat and/or Martin Lakes. Little scat is too shallow.

8/5/87 no fish caught or observed in 1 hour. Probably too shallow to overwinter fish. 4.5 hour gill net set in '90. Enter drainage at the right edge of the falls and stay right around Martin Lake. 07/30/03 - visual survey - no sign of fish, lake is

Only 4-5 ft deep.

Golden Trout

Sample with martin and scat.

# Lost Lake (Hidden Lake)

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: West of East Rosebud Lake up the south (west) fork of Armstrong Creek. Trail

Elevation: 9164 ft part of the way if found. Mostly brutal bushwacking.

Location: 45.19428, -109.68714 (Map) Camp sites: Lots of firewood and good camping below the lake on the south side.

Marcuson's Code: 45

**Section:** 07S17E30

Size:3.5 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:18ft (Ave), 36ft (Max)Armstrong Creek3 mi (0 on trail)3000 up, 0 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Arctic Grayling	Unknown	Stocked	
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	Planned	
Arctic Grayling	200 in 2015; 400 in 2008		
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	1,475 in 1971	350 in 2020	

SurveysSpecies# of fishAve Length (in)Range (in)2019No Fish Caught02014No Fish Caught0

Comments: This lake sees very few visitors. Adjustments to grayling stocking will be made and monitored with intent of increasing grayling

survival.

No fish were sampled in an overnight net set or during hook and line sampling in 2014 and 2019.

#### **Martin Lake**

Drainage: East Rosebud

Access: Steep Unmaintained Trail at lake at falls (11.5 mi. From e. Rosebud lake).

Elevation: 9118 ft Climb the chute just to the right of the falls coming from Martin Lake.

Location: 45.11598, -109.71162 (Map) Camp sites: No use. Few rocky campsites. Plenty of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 13

**Section:** 08S16E23

Size:30.0 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:40ft (Ave), 108ft (Max)Alpine (east Rosebud)13 mi (11.5 on trail)3300 up, 200 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Golden Trout		Common	Stocked	
Stocking Data		<u>Historic</u>	Planned	
Golden Trout		3,000 in 2017; 3,000 in 2012	3,000 in 2023	
Survevs	Species	# of fish	Ave Lenath (in)	Range (in)

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 1998
 Golden Trout
 1
 15.4
 15.4-15.4

 1987
 No Fish Caught
 0

Comments: The 2015 sample was collected with a 2.5 hour daytime gill net set. In 2015, staff also tried to obtain fish with angling but were

unsuccessful in catching any fish in 3 hours.

Angler report from 2013-- caught 8 fish 6-10" in 2 hrs.

# **Medicine Lake**

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: Up the well Traveled Trail from east Rosebud Lake to twin outlets lake then

**Elevation:** 9994 ft northwest to medicine lake.

Location: 45.11894, -109.76876 (Map) Camp sites: Few campsites. Little use. No firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 33

**Section:** 08S16E20

Size:30.3 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:38ft (Ave), 42ft (Max)Alpine (east Rosebud)15.5 mi (14.5 on trail)3860 up. 160 down

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<u>S</u>	Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Υ	ellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stocked	d

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Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	Planned	
Golden Trout	6,400 in 1955		
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	3,030 in 2013; 3,030 in 2003	3,030 in 2023	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	10	18.8	16.3-20.9
2001	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	30	13.8	12.5-15.2

**Comments:** Medicine Lake was changed from an 8 year cycle to 10 years to allow extra rest between plants. The 2012 FWP survey caught 10 YCT in 14 hr. net set. Fat and healthy.

### Oly Lake

**Elevation:** 9761 ft **Camp sites:** A couple of nice places to camp. No fires allowed.

**Location:** 45.11009, -109.77667 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 28

Section: 08S16E20

Size:2.5 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:5ft (Ave), 18ft (Max)Alpine (east Rosebud)15.5 mi (15.25 on trail)3600 up, 160 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	No Fish Caught		0		
2012	No Fish Caught		0		

Comments: EBT from Cairn Lake could eventually invade Oly Lake. Lots of large fairy shrimp present. No fish caught in FWP surveys

1994,2007,2012, 2017. YCT are in pond just below the lake

#### Phantom Lake

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: 5.5 miles of Good Trail from east Rosebud Lake, then unimproved for .5 till

Elevation: 9394 ft lost in rocks. Stay near cliffs. Go through saddle test refind trail.

Location: 45.19538, -109.72753 (Map) Camp sites: Excellent camping and firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 47

**Section:** 07S16E26 **Size:** 19.5 acres

Size:19.5 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:21ft (Ave), 56ft (Max)Phantom Creek #76 mi (5 on trail)3300 up, 100 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Yellowstone Cutthroat
 Common
 Self-Sustained

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Arctic Grayling
 50,000 in 1955

 Cutthroat Trout
 56,672 in 1949

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2012
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 17
 11.5
 7.3-13.6

 1997
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 3
 10.5
 7.2-13.9

Comments: Tough climb to the lake. No change in management planned. Beautiful place. Tough to fish shoreline because of cliffs.

Don cuthill 7/13/92, 14-15" CT's in good shape. Not as many as in froze to death. Lots of fish 4-13" seen cruising in '97. 2012

FWP survey 14.5 hr net set caught 17 YCT.

#### Rainbow Lake

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: Leave east Rosebud Lake on Trail #15. You'll pass elk lake and rimrock lake

**Elevation:** 7797 ft on the way to rainbow lake.

Location: 45.13612, -109.6909 (Map) Camp sites: The many campsites are overused and firewood is picked over.

Marcuson's Code: 8

Section: 08S16E13

Yellowstone Cutthroat

Size:58.0 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:76ft (Ave), 180ft (Max)Alpine (east Rosebud)8 mi (8 on trail)1600 up, 200 down

Unknown

Species PresentAbundanceStatusRainbow TroutRareSelf-SustainedRainbow Trout X Golden TroutCommonSelf-Sustained

Unknown

Stocking Data Historic Planned
Rainbow Trout 3,500 in 1949

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout X Rainbow 7.6-15.9 2012 21 11.8 7.5 7.5-7.5 1998 Rainbow Trout Rainbow X Golden Trout 1998 9.3 9.3-9.3

**Comments:** Golden trout planted in Lake at falls in 1955 drifted into Rainbow lake. Now there are colorful GTXYCTXRB hybrids in Rainbow lake providing a good self-sustaining fishery.

#### Rimrock Lake

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: East Rosebud Trail #15. Rimrock is the Second Lake encountered on the

Elevation: 7603 ft main trail. The valley is narrow and steep here. **Location:** 45.14494, -109.68671 (Map) Camp sites: No firewood. No good places to legally camp.

Marcuson's Code: 7

Section: 08S17E7

Size: 33.6 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 10ft (Ave), 25ft (Max) Alpine (east Rosebud) 6 mi (6 on trail) 1300 up, 50 down

Species Present **Abundance** Status Rainbow Trout Hybrid Common Self-Sustained

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> <u>Planned</u>

Rainbow Trout 6,816 in 1948

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2015 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout X Rainbow 21 10.3 6.3-15.7 2007 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout X Rainbow 13 10.1 7.6-12.5

Comments: Rimrock has colorful GTXRBXYCT hybrids. In 2015 the FWP mountain lakes crew observed an otter in the lake.

#### Scat Lake

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: Steep climb at lake at falls (11.5 mi. From e. Rosebud lake). Climb the chute

Elevation: 9335 ft just to the right of the falls. Stay on the west side of Martin Lake.

Location: 45.11083, -109.71278 (Map) Camp sites: Questionable camping near the lake. Plenty of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 14

Section: 08S16E23

Size: 7.0 acres **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 17ft (Ave), 45ft (Max) Alpine (east Rosebud) 13.5 mi (11.5 on trail) 3350 up, 200 down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Golden Trout Common Stocked

Stocking Data **Historic** Planned 700 in 2023 700 in 2017; 700 in 2012 Golden Trout

Surveys Species 5 4 1 # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 1998 No Fish Caught 0 1990 No Fish Caught 0

Comments: '82 plant was in little Scat Lake. Plant was also intended to create a GT fishery in Scat Lake test Martin Lake downstream.

Excellent habitat for golden trout. Great outlet spawning site.

Shallow gillnet set for 1.5 hours in '87 caught no fish. Gill net set for 4.5 hours in '90, 18 hours in '98. One 12"er was possibly

seen in the outlet stream in '98. Net set for 19 hours in '03.

Survey with martin and I. Scat.

#### **Shadow Lake**

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: Accessible via a very steep Intermittent Trail west of east Rosebud Lake or by

Elevation: 8521 ft hiking x-country from Armstrong Creek.

Location: 45.19658, -109.67278 (Map) Camp sites: There is plenty of firewood and a few good places to camp.

Marcuson's Code: 44

Section: 07S17E19

**Brook Trout** 

2014

**Elevation Change** Size: 8.4 acres **Trailhead Distance** Depth: 7ft (Ave), 19ft (Max)

Abundant

360 in 1997

Armstrong Creek 2.5 mi (0 on trail) 2240 up, 0 down Species Present **Abundance Status** 

Stocking Data **Historic** Planned

# of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys <u>Species</u> 2019 17 8.7 7.8-9.8 **Brook Trout** 

20

Comments: There is very little use at this lake.

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

**Brook Trout** 

The 2019 sample was obtained using hook and line sampling. Brook trout didn't seem as abundant as past samples

7.0-8.9

Self-Sustained

8.0

## Slough Lake

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: Slough Lake is a wide spot in Armstrong Creek, a tributary to east rosebud

Elevation: 7642 ft creek. 2 miles of Good Trail from e rosebud lake. Thru '96 burn.

Location: 45.20532, -109.68371 (Map) Camp sites: A few places to camp. Plenty of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 46

Section: 07S17E19

Size:5.8 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:3ft (Ave), 6ft (Max)Phantom Creek2 mi (2 on trail)1350 up, 0 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Brook Trout
 Common
 Self-Sustained

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Brook Trout
 16,326 in 1936

 Rainbow Trout
 229 in 1931

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2012
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 15
 7.8
 5.6-9.5

 1997
 Brook Trout
 5
 9.4
 7.9-10.9

Comments: Lake is a wide spot in Armstrong Creek and almost too shallow to set gill nets.

'97 fish were fat. 2012 FWP Angled 1.5 hrs caught 15 EB.

## Snow Lake, Lower

Drainage: East Rosebud Trail then x-country 2 miles up Snow Creek on the

Elevation: 9243 ft north (east) side. A tough steep hike a?? emphasis on tough!

Location: 45.15328, -109.64049 (Map) Camp sites: Good campsites with plenty of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 4

Section: 08S17E4

Size:8.0 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:18ft (Ave), 53ft (Max)Alpine (east Rosebud)5 mi (3 on trail)3000 up, 0 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Rainbow Trout
 Common
 Self-Sustained

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2014
 Rainbow Trout
 5
 7.9
 6.9-9.2

 2000
 Rainbow Trout
 3
 12.7
 6.4-17.5

1,076 in 1993; 2,500 in 1989

Comments: Very little sign of use, likely because of the difficult access. At the time of the survey there were many birds nesting near the

shore

Rainbow Trout

Low abundance of rainbow trout at the time of the survey in 2014. Crews did not observe any fish rising or swimming near shore.

# **Snow Lake, Upper**

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: 2.5 miles up east Rosebud Trail then x-country 2.5 miles up Snow Creek.

Elevation: 9351 ft Same as Lower Snow Lake, very tough steep hike.

Location: 45.14937, -109.63885 (Map) Camp sites: Good campsites near the lake.

Marcuson's Code: 5

**Section:** 08S17E9 **Size:** 10.4 acres

Size:10.4 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:6ft (Ave), 25ft (Max)Alpine (east Rosebud)5.5 mi (2.5 on trail)3100 up, 0 down

Species Present **Abundance** Status Rainbow Trout Rare Stocked Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Rainbow Trout 12.1-14.1 2014 2 13.1

2000 No Fish Caught 0

Comments: There was very little sign of use, likely because of the difficult access.

Rainbow trout were present in low numbers during the 2014 survey.

## Sylvan Lake

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: ~6 miles Of Trail from east Rosebud Lake (trailhead is east of east Rosebud

Elevation: 9184 ft Lake).

Location: 45.18868, -109.58802 (Map) Camp sites: Excellent camping and fuel 1/4 mile below Lake.

Marcuson's Code: 2

Section: 07S17E26

**Size:** 18.5 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 16ft (Ave), 40ft (Max) Sylvan Lake #13 6.5 mi (6.5 on trail) 3174 up, 240 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	Status
Golden Trout	Abundant	Self-Sustained

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)	
2017	Golden Trout	29	9.5	7.4-11.7	
2008	Golden Trout	20	9.2	6.0-12.0	

Comments: This is our golden trout brood lake where eggs have been taken through the years for planting other waters. Even so, this

thriving population could stand some fish harvest. The 2017 sample was obtained during the egg take.

eggs taken in 2005,06,07,08,09,11,12, and 17

# **Turgulse Lake**

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: 7 miles up Phantom Creek Trail near east Rosebud Lake. Then 3 miles

Elevation: 10198 ft x-country upstream from phantom lake.

Location: 45.17358, -109.76451 (Map) Camp sites: There are places to camp but no firewood. Stay at phantom if you want fire /

shelter

Marcuson's Code: 49 Section: 07S16E33

Size: 82.9 acres **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 80ft (Max) Phantom Creek 10 mi (7 on trail) 4100 up 0 down

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	Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>		Status
	Yellowstone Cutthroat	Abundant		Self-Sustained

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	10,000 in 1978	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	13	13.2	10.9-15.4
2003	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	8	13.7	13.0-14.3

Comments: Fish congregate near outlet. Spawning substrate appears marginal but the fish are obviously reproducing very well.

'92 - many fish seen cruising and rising 6-16". Fish were in good shape and of different age groups. Friends of a. Lundberg 7/94 caught tons of fish of all sizes.8 fish angled '03 13.0-14.3 ave. 13.7".

2012 FWP survey 5 hr net set caught 24 YCT.

#### Twin Outlet Lake

Drainage: East Rosebud Access: Approximately 14 miles from the trailhead at east Rosebud Lake on Trail #15.

Elevation: 9197 ft It is on the main trail.

Location: 45.11407, -109.7516 (Map) Camp sites: Nice camping spots. Plenty of firewood. No fires above here.

Marcuson's Code: 23

Section: 08S16E21

Size: 29.5 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 50ft (Max) Alpine (east Rosebud) 14 mi (14 on trail) 3100 up, 160 down

**Species Present Abundance** Status Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Self-Sustained

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)	
2017	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	11	10.6	7.9-14.5	
2007	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	10	9.2	7.0-12.5	

Comments: YCT result from Dewey Lake upstream. 2017 sample was angled, fishing was better in the outlet ponds

## Rock Creek Drainage

# **Basin Creek Lake**

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: 4 miles of excellent trail up Basin Creek. 2,100' climb.

Elevation: 8994 ft Camp sites: Decent camping. Lots of firewood.

Location: 45.14536, -109.42862 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 42

Section: 08S19E7

Size:6.7 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:3ft (Ave), 6ft (Max)Basin Creek4 mi (4 on trail)2138 up, 0 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Abundant	Self-Sustained
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Brook Trout	1,560 in 1938	
Cutthroat Trout	3 000 in 1958: 3 325 in 19	53

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2015
 Brook Trout
 20
 9.5
 7.4-11.3

 2006
 Brook Trout
 40
 8.3
 4.8-11.0

Comments: Lake receives fairly heavy use. It is very shallow but may be deeper than the 5.5 ft shown in our records, 8 ft more probable.

Outside the A-B Wilderness.

The 2015 gill net set was a 4 hour daytime set. Eleven of the twenty fish 2015 sample was obtained by 1.5 hours of angling. The shallow shoreline required long casts.

# Basin Creek Lake, Lower

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: 2 1/2 miles of well maintained somewhat steep trail.

Elevation: 8387 ft Camp sites: Few campsites, some firewood.

Location: 45.15042, -109.41193 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 41

Section: 08S19E8 Size: 2.5 acres

Size:2.5 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:7ft (Ave), 21ft (Max)Basin Creek2.5 mi (2.5 on trail)1550 up, 0 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Rare	Self-Sustained
Stocking Data	Historic	Planned
Arctic Grayling	260 in 1997: 200 in 1985	<u>r latineu</u>
Brook Trout	1,040 in 1938	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2015	No Fish Caught	0		
1995	Brook Trout	2	14.2	13.8-14.5

**Comments:** Brook Trout occupy the lake when they move downstream from Upper Basin Lake. Winterkill is common. Lily pads and mosquitoes surround the lake.

The 2015 survey was a 6 hr day time set. No fish were observed. Spawning habitat is good in inlet and fair in outlet.

# **Black Canyon Lake**

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: 9 miles up the lake fork of Rock Creek. Trail is maintained for 8 miles then up

Elevation: 9397 ft west side of valley.

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

**Location:** 45.06954, -109.53304 (Map) Camp sites: Campsites are best below the lake. No fires allowed.

Marcuson's Code: 33

Section: 09S18E5

Size: 82.4 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change Depth:** 68ft (Ave), 185ft (Max) Lake Fork Rock Creek 9 mi (8 on trail) 2200 up, 100 down

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Species Prese	ent	Abundance		<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone C	Cutthroat	Common		Stocked	
Stocking Data	<u> </u>	Historic		Planned	
Brook Trout		3,080 in 19	41		
Yellowstone C	Cutthroat Trout	7,400 in 20	19; 8,000 in 2013	8,240 in 2025	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Yellowstone Cutthro	at Trout	17	13.8	12.4-14.8

28

10.9

12.4

6.5-16.4

10.4-14.8

Comments: Lake gets a fair amount of use so stocking every 6 years. 2017 FWP sampled 17 YCT in a short day set. Lots of ice still floating in the lake at time of sample. Fish were in pretty good shape for right after ice out.

#### **Bowback Lake**

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: 7 miles up w fork Rock Creek on Trail #1. 1/4 mile short of Sundance pass

Elevation: 10594 ft climb / scramble up through one of two chutes to the west. Ship creek basin.

Location: 45.12218, -109.59998 (Map) Camp sites: Above timberline. Little camping. No firewood. Camp below.

Marcuson's Code: 65

Section: 08S17E23 Size: 6.4 acres

2009

2010

**Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 16ft (Ave), 40ft (Max) West Fork Rock Creek 8.5 mi (6.5 on trail) 2700 up, 200 down

Species Prese	<u>nt</u>	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone C	utthroat	Common		Stocked	
Stocking Data		<u>Historic</u>		<u>Planned</u>	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout		320 in 2012	320 in 2012; 320 in 2004		
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<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>		<u># of fish</u>	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2016	Yellowstone Cutt	hroat Trout	30	10.7	7.7-16.3

Comments: 2016 FWP sample was a 16.5 hr net set. Lots of YCT in good shape. Angler reported several larger YCT near inlet. Maybe there has been some limited reproduction.

#### **Broadwater Lake**

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: The lake is a wide spot in the lake fork Rock Creek. 3 miles of Good Trail

Elevation: 8020 ft Camp sites: None, Lost Lake closest

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

Location: 45.08175, -109.47997 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: None Section: 08S18E35

> Size: 1.0 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 3ft (Max) Lake Fork Rock 3 mi (3 on trail) 800 up, 0 down

Species Present **Abundance** Status **Brook Trout** Common Self-Sustained

Comments: Since this lake is part of a stream no special fisheries management is proposed.

Too shallow to set net. 89 creel cards - 10 eb <12",2rb? 8-12" range, 1ct? 12-16" range. Angle this next time in area.

# **Crescent Lake (Hellroaring Lake 8)**

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Hike up Hellroaring Creek from Jeep Trail #3004. Easy hike.

Elevation: 10011 ft Camp sites: Rocky campsites. Firewood available.

**Location:** 45.04292, -109.48302 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 24

Section: 9S18E14

Size: 10.38 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 18ft (Ave), 42ft (Max) Hellroaring Plateau 2 mi (1 on trail) 640 up, 380 down

Species Present **Abundance** Status **Brook Trout** Abundant Self-Sustained

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> <u>Planned</u> **Brook Trout** 1,000 in 1941

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2011 **Brook Trout** 8.6 8.2-9.1 6 2004 **Brook Trout** 8 8.8 8.2-9.3

Comments: Hellroaring Lake #6 (the small lake 70 yards south of Crescent Lake) had 2 Yellowstone cutthroat sampled in it during a 2014

# Daly Lake (Hellroaring Lake 11)

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Forest road #3004 to hellroaring plateau. Travel NW down a steep grassy

Elevation: 9774 ft slope from the trailhead then hike up Hellroaring Creek.

Location: 45.04528, -109.46796 (Map) Camp sites: Fair camping with firewood plentiful. Consider camping at Hellroaring Lake #9

Marcuson's Code: 27

Section: 9S18E14 Size: 6.72 acres

**Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 16ft (Ave), 40ft (Max) Hellroaring Plateau 2 mi (1 on trail) 290 up, 380 down

Species Present Abundance Status **Brook Trout** Common Self-Sustained Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Unknown

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2014	Brook Trout	49	9.1	6.3-10.2
2014	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	3	12.6	12.0-13.3
2004	Brook Trout	8	8.3	6.6-9.2

Comments: Brook trout are in good condition.

Species Present

Yellowstone Cutthroat

In 2014, 35 of the 51 fish sample were obtained by angling for 7.5 hours.

#### **Dude Lake**

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: 6 miles From Trailhead on west fork of Rock Creek. Go up left side of outlet

Elevation: 10198 ft stream. Good path most of way south of creek.

Location: 45.13639, -109.58455 (Map) Camp sites: Above timberline. Poor, rocky campsites, scarce firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 67

**Section:** 08S17E13

**Size:** 12.2 acres Elevation Change **Trailhead Distance** Depth: 32ft (Ave), 20ft (Max)

**Abundance** 

Common

West Fork Rock Creek 6 mi (5 on trail) 2300 up, 0 down

Stocking Data **Planned Historic Brook Trout** 2,600 in 1938; 25,000 in 1931 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 2,440 in 2015; 2,440 in 2007 2,440 in 2023

# of fish Ave Length (in) Surveys **Species** Range (in) 2012 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 18 14.0 9.3-16.3 2005 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 3 14.8-16.2 15.3

**Status** 

Stocked

Comments: Stocked every 8 years. CT have moved from here down to Senal Lake where they are doing well. 2012 netting survey 18 YCT in a 15-hour set. Fish were in good shape.

# Elk Horn Lake (Wapiti, Hellroaring Lake #5)

**Drainage:** Rock Creek **Access:** Easy hike from the hellroaring plateau jeep road #3004. **Elevation:** 10116 ft **Camp sites:** Firewood and flat spots are limited. Camp below.

**Location:** 45.04229, -109.48897 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 21

Section: 9S18E15

Size:2.39 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:4ft (Ave), 7ft (Max)Hellroaring Plateau2 mi (1 on trail)650 up, 400 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Abundant	Self-Sustained
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Self-Sustained

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2014	Brook Trout	23	10.1	7.3-12.2
2014	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	2	11.0	9.9-12.0
2000	Brook Trout	25	10.4	7.0-13.6
2000	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	4	9.3	6.9-11.3

Comments: The brook trout were in good condition. The lake is shallow and rocky.

Mostly brook trout but some Yellowstone cutthroat move downstream from Hairpin into this Lake.

#### **Emerald Lake**

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Headwaters of Rock Creek just over the state line. Hike 2 miles to Glacier

Elevation: 9764 ft Lake, over the dam, and head SW 1 mile.

Location: 44.99722, -109.5263 (Map) Camp sites: Fuel and camping near the lake.

Marcuson's Code: 8 Section:

Size:38.71 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:150ft (Max)150ft (Max)1200 up, 150 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Rare	Self-Sustained
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Abundant	Self-Sustained

**Comments:** Emerald was allowed to go barren prior to the '87 plant to rebuild food base. Food is limited during winter. No real spawning sites. This lake is in wyoming!! Check with cody before sampling! Stocking suspended for now. (not sampling in the future).

Need to check plankton density as well as fish condition. ct'81 16, ave 10.0", 9.0-12.0". 7/17/91 1/3 Of Lake was still ice covered. ct'91 33, ave 9.7", 7.0-11.0". EB'91 2, ave 12.5", 11.5-13.6". 1995 plant canceled. Reproduction is occuring.

'99 fish were thin. Saw 30-40 others. Wyoming will hold off stocking.

# First Rock Lake (First Rock Creek Lake)

Yellowstone Cutthroat

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: 8 miles By Trail up the lake fork of Rock Creek past keyser brown lake. Paths

**Elevation:** 8994 ft from keyser brown on n. Side of creek - some deadend at creek.

Location: 45.08608, -109.5483 (Map) Camp sites: A few places to camp - sort of wet. Plenty of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 35 Section: 8S18E31

Size:19.27 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:11ft (Ave), 36ft (Max)Lake Fork Rock Creek8 mi (7 on trail)1800 up, 100 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Brook Trout
 Common
 Self-Sustained

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Brook Trout
 20,000 in 1931

Common

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2017 **Brook Trout** 5.8 5.8-5.8 2017 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 19 9.7 7.7-11.3 2010 **Brook Trout** 7 2010 17 9.0 7.2-10.8 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

Comments: Many people refer to first Rock Lake as Second Rock Lake and Keyser Brown as First Rock Lake. FWP sample in 2017 caught 9 YCT angling and 10 YCT, 1 EBT in a 2 HR net set. Cruising YCT were easy to catch

Self-Sustained

# **Glacier Lake (Emerald Lake)**

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Headwaters of Rock Creek. 2 miles of steep, Excellent Trail. Glacier Lake

Elevation: 9706 ft trailhead.

Location: 45.00783, -109.54054 (Map) Camp sites: Fair camping - not too many level flat places. Heavily used.

Marcuson's Code: 9

**Section:** 09S18E32

Size:176.0 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:220ft (Max)2 mi (2 on trail)1150 up, 150 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Brook Trout
 Abundant
 Self-Sustained

 Yellowstone Cutthroat
 Abundant
 Stocked

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Brook Trout
 2,100 in 1940; 11,400 in 1937

 Cutthroat Trout
 7,600 in 1953

 Rainbow Trout
 603 in 2013; 622 in 1999

 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 10,000 in 2019; 21,000 in 2015
 22,000 in 2022; 22,000 in 2025

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) **Brook Trout** 2009 7.8-12.8 8 10.5 2009 9.1-14.7 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 20 13.2 1999 8.3-12.0 **Brook Trout** 13 9.8 1999 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 27 10.0 6.7-14.5

Comments: Relatively easy access. YCT are stocked every three years while EB are self sustaining. Best camping is near inlet from

Triangle lake but it is tough to get to.

# **Greenough Lake**

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: 1/4 mile from greenough campground located 15 miles south of red lodge.

Elevation: 7337 ft Camp sites: Camping available at USFS campground 1/4 mile north.

Location: 45.05162, -109.41705 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 3

Section: 09S19E8 Size: 0.8 acres

 Size:
 0.8 acres
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Depth:
 4ft (Ave), 10ft (Max)
 Greenough Lake
 .25 mi (.25 on trail)
 0 up, 0 down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Chub Unknown Unknown Rainbow Trout Abundant Stocked Stocking Data Planned **Historic** 2,000 in 1934; 2,800 in 1933 **Brook Trout** Rainbow Trout 6,027 in 2019; 5,320 in 2018 6,000 in 2020; 6,000 in 2021

Comments: Catchable size arlee rainbow planted four times a year prior to holidays from june to september.

Some fishermen bothered by chubs.

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

# Hairpin Lake (Hellroaring Lake #2)

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Easy access from Jeep Trail by walking cross country across the hellroaring

**Elevation:** 10194 ft plateau.

Location: 45.04595, -109.49941 (Map) Camp sites: Rocky camping. Little firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 18

**Section:** 9S18E15 **Size:** 35.61 acres

Size:35.61 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:65ft (Max)Hellroaring Plateau3.5 mi (2.5 on trail)600 up, 200 down

1,645 in 2014

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Yellowstone Cutthroat
 Abundant
 Stock, with some natural reproduction

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2019	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	2	13.5	13.1-13.9
2014	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	24	12.5	7.6-21.5

Comments: Only 2 fish sampled during a day trip in 2019. Will try to get a better sample before the next stocking in 2022.

Fish are stocked but also naturally reproducing to an unknown level. At least 2 different year classes of fish were sampled in

2014.

1,645 in 2022

# **Hellroaring Lake 4**

**Drainage:** Rock Creek **Access:** Hike up Hellroaring Creek from the Jeep Trail #3004. ~4 mile hike. **Elevation:** 10175 ft **Camp sites:** Few flat spots. Firewood is scarce. Camp below in drainage.

Location: 45.04261, -109.49362 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 20

Section: 9S18E15

Size:1.85 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:2ft (Ave), 6ft (Max)Hellroaring Plateau3.5 mi (2.5 on trail)600 up, 200 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Abundant	Self-Sustained

<u>Surveys</u>	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2014	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	19	8.5	4.5-12.7
2000	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	49	8.8	4.5-15.3

Comments: Shallow rocky lake that likely has fish moving into it from Haripin Lake. Fish in this lake can likely overwinter because of the

amount of flow in the creek.

The 2014 sample was obtained with 5 hours of angling.

# **Hellroaring Lake 9**

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Hike up Hellroaring Creek from the Jeep Trail #3004. 2 miles down a steep

**Elevation:** 9738 ft grassy slope from the trailhead (NW).

Location: 45.04267, -109.47427 (Map) Camp sites: Plenty of firewoood. Some hard used campsites.

Marcuson's Code: 25

Section: 9S18E14 Size: 6.55 acres

Size:6.55 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:12ft (Ave), 30ft (Max)Hellroaring Plateau2 mi (1 on trail)300 up, 400 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Abundant	Self-Sustained
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Self-Sustained

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>	
Brook Trout	34,300 in 1933; 25,000	in 1931	
Cutthroat Trout	20,000 in 1932		

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2011	Brook Trout	11	7.6	4.4-9.1
2011	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	1	8.4	8.4-8.4
2004	Brook Trout	7	7.8	7.1-9.5
2004	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	8	8.2	7.2-9.5

**Comments:** Popular lake in the hellroaring lake chain. These cutthroat may be the remnants of an original stocking in 1901-05 by prospector melvin martin.

'90 gill net set for 24.5 hours. Fish were stunted. 1971 27 eb 6.9-8.8" ave 7.9". 1990 17 eb 6.1-9.7" ave 7.7", 7 CT 7.4-10.1" ave 8.3". 2000 fish were very thin and small but apparently healthy.

The brookies here should be harvested to help out the long surviving cutts.

# **Keyser Brown Lake**

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Located on the lake fork of Rock Creek 7 miles from the trailhead. About 6

Elevation: 8794 ft miles up Trail #1 to marked fork, then Trail #2 (left) for 1 mile.

Location: 45.08831, -109.53121 (Map) Camp sites: Campsites are plentiful but due to the amount of use firewood is picked over.

Marcuson's Code: 34

Section: 08S18E32

Size: 9.5 acres Trailhead Distance Elevation Change Depth: 4ft (Ave), 8ft (Max) Lake Fork Rock Creek 7 mi (7 on trail) 1700 up, 100 down

Species Present **Abundance Status Brook Trout** Abundant Self-Sustained Self-Sustained Yellowstone Cutthroat Abundant

Stocking Data **Historic Planned Brook Trout** 11,000 in 1933

# of fish Surveys Ave Length (in) Range (in) **Species Brook Trout** 7.2-10.0 2014 18 8.6 2014 Rainbow Trout 10.2 10.2-10.2 2005 **Brook Trout** 10 7.6 6.5-9.0 2005 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 7.0-10.0 9 8.4

Comments: This is a popular location that receives a fair amount of use. The fish were skittish which made angling a bit more challenging. The 2014 sample was obtained with 4 hours of angling.

#### Kookoo Lake

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Northwest of shadow and Sundance Lakes up the west fork of Rock Creek.

Elevation: 10394 ft Head north from the Sundance bridge up one of two chutes to plateau.

Location: 45.12216, -109.58758 (Map) Camp sites: Camping possible, but rocky. Better below. No firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 58

Section: 08S17E23

Size: 6.1 acres Trailhead **Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 10ft (Ave), 30ft (Max) West Fork Rock Creek 7.5 mi (6.5 on trail) 2340 up, 0 down

Species Present **Abundance** Status Yellowstone Cutthroat Stock, with some natural reproduction Common Stocking Data **Planned Historic** 

610 in 2025

**Status** 

Ave Length (in) Surveys Species # of fish Range (in) Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 2016 6.1-13.1 15 8.9 2009 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 8.0-16.0 21 12.8

610 in 2018; 610 in 2010

Comments: YCT dont grow as well here as they do in the lakes above. 2016 sample saw fair numbers of average size YCT. At least 2 age classes indicate some reproduction.

#### Lake Gertrude

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: 4 mile rigorous climb Up Trail #12 along Timberline Creek from the West Fork

Elevation: 9594 ft of Rock Creek. Trail #8 to Silver Run Lakes splits left 2/3 up.

Location: 45.13948, -109.49626 (Map) Camp sites: Some places to camp. Firewood plentiful.

Marcuson's Code: 48

Section: 8S18E10

Species Present

Size: 6.48 acres **Elevation Change Trailhead Distance** Depth: 5ft (Ave), 11ft (Max)

2000 up, 0 down Timberline 4 mi (4 on trail)

**Abundance Brook Trout** Abundant Self-Sustained

Stocking Data Planned **Historic** 11,200 in 1934; 10,000 in 1933 **Brook Trout** 

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) **Brook Trout** 2015 13 8.2 6.7-9.1 2005 **Brook Trout** 71 8.0 6.0-10.0

Comments: The Cascade Fire burned almost to the lake.

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

The gill net set in 2015 was a 3.25 hour daytime set.

## Lake Mary

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: 5 miles of Good Trail from the trailhead on the west fork of Rock Creek to Elevation: 10007 ft

quinnebaugh meadows. Then head north up a good steep trail ~1 mile

**Location:** 45.15183, -109.56441 (Map) Camp sites: Camping near the outlet.

Marcuson's Code: 68

Section: 8S18E7

Size: 7.64 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 18ft (Ave), 50ft (Max) West Fork Rock Creek 6 mi (6 on trail) 2100 up, 50 down

Species Present **Abundance Status Brook Trout** Abundant Self-Sustained

Stocking Data **Historic** Planned **Brook Trout** 2,600 in 1938; 11,200 in 1934

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 1994 **Brook Trout** 10.3 6.3-12.9 11

Comments: Brook trout are self sustaining and their population varies year to year. In 2012 FWP crew angled only 3 EB that were somewhat thin. In 2005 the crew caught many small fish.

Lost Lake

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: 5 miles of Maintained Trail Up Lake fork of Rock Creek. Head south before

Elevation: 8476 ft the bridge. Path is marked - '94.

Location: 45.08011, -109.50131 (Map) Camp sites: Plenty of campsites but firewood has been picked over

Marcuson's Code: 32

**Section:** 08S18E34

Size: 11.3 acres **Elevation Change Trailhead Distance** Lake Fork Rock Creek 5 mi (5 on trail) Depth: 8ft (Ave), 25ft (Max) 1320 up, 0 down

Species Present **Abundance** Status 5 4 1

Arctic Grayling Stocked Common Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Self-Sustained Stocking Data **Historic Planned** 

800 in 2018; 1,185 in 1997 Arctic Grayling **Cutthroat Trout** 5,000 in 1965; 4,956 in 1961 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 1,500 in 1975; 1,003 in 1971

# of fish <u>Surveys</u> Ave Length (in) Range (in) **Species** 2017 Arctic Grayling 12 14.8 12.5-16.0 2017 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 11 17.3 14.2-19.3 2014 Arctic Grayling 18 14.8 13.8-16.0 2014 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 5 12.0 10.8-12.8

Comments: Of the multiple grayling lakes sampled this population is one of the best for abundance. Angler use at this lake has increased. 2017 FWP sampled with netting and angling. YCT up to 17 inches, GR up to 15 inches. In 2014, crews observed several larger Yellowstone cutthroat trout (approximately 16-18 inches) swimming near shore.

#### Marker Lake

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: 2 miles from Maintained Trail at Sundance Lake. Head NW from Sundance

Elevation: 10936 ft bridge. Tough climb, worth it.

Location: 45.11396, -109.60361 (Map) Camp sites: Above timberline. Poor camping, no firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 62

Section: 08S17E23

Yellowstone Cutthroat

**Elevation Change** Size: 13.6268 acres Trailhead Distance **Depth:** 46ft (Ave), 115ft (Max)

West Fork Rock Creek 9 mi (6.5 on trail) 3007 up, 0 down Species Present Abundance Status

Stocking Data **Planned** <u>Historic</u> 3,600 in 1950 **Cutthroat Trout** 

Abundant

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 3,100 in 2018; 3,100 in 2010 3,100 in 2025 # of fish Ave Length (in) Surveys Species

Range (in) 2016 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 9.3-14.0 36 10.7 2009 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 15.6-20.5 17.7

Comments: This is the highest elevation fishery in the Beartooths. It is known for good catch rates of nice sized YCT. 2016 FWP sample caught somewhat smaller YCT that were kind of skinny. Perhaps high stock rate has caught up to this lake, will lower stock numbers

Stocked

#### Moon Lake

Drainage: Rock Creek

Elevation: 10375 ft

Location: 45.03797, -109.53536 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 15

Section: 09S18E17

Camp sites: Many places to camp but no firewood or shelter. It can be very windy. Best to

Access: 4 miles of hiking from the end of the Glacier Lake (rock Creek) road. Break off

camp near the stream below.

Glacier Trail at the bridge.

Size: 82.2 acres Trailhead Distance Elevation Change **Depth:** 45ft (Ave), 115ft (Max) Glacier Lake 4 mi (4 on trail) 1680 up, 0 down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Yellowstone Cutthroat Abundant Stocked Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> **Planned** 

1,040 in 1938 **Brook Trout Cutthroat Trout** 26,400 in 1955; 4,700 in 1953 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 7,800 in 2017; 8,000 in 2014 8,220 in 2020; 8,220 in 2023

# of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys Species 2019 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 35 12.0 6.9-19.9 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 2013 34 14.0 6.9-16.0

Comments: 2019 sample was obtained with netting and angling. Large YCT were observed cruising shorelines but they were picky and

hard to catch.

Moon Lake is stocked every 3 years.

#### **Mountain Goat Lake**

Access: Headwaters of Rock Creek. 2 miles of Steep Trail to Glacier Lake and 1 mile Drainage: Rock Creek

Elevation: 10039 ft cross country (NW).

Location: 45.01999, -109.55663 (Map) Camp sites: Firewood scarce. Poor campsites near timberline.

Marcuson's Code: 11

Section: 9S18E30 Size: 8.78 acres

**Trailhead** Elevation Change **Distance** Depth: 60ft (Max) Glacier Lake 3.5 mi (2 on trail) 1500 up, 150 down

Species Present Status **Abundance** Yellowstone Cutthroat Stocked Common

Stocking Data Historic **Planned** 1,000 in 2022 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 1,525 in 2018; 1,000 in 2014

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2016 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 13 8.7 7.1-11.3 2009 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 8.3-12.7 9 10.6

Comments: Some of these fish may move into Mountain Sheep Lake.

Stocked every 4 years. Seems right on. '90 gill net set for 18.5 hours. Fish were in average condition. '99 fish were very fat. '08 frank ewalt angled 2 fish approx. 8-10".

# Ryeberg Lake (Hellroaring 12)

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Via Trail up Hellroaring Creek or cross country from jeep Trail #3004.

Elevation: 9512 ft Camp sites: Some used campsites with plenty of firewood.

Location: 45.04328, -109.46234 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 28 Section: 9S18E13

> Size: 3.98 acres **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Hellroaring Plateau 2.5 mi (2 on trail) 700 up, 200 down Depth: 2ft (Max)

Species Present **Abundance** 

Self-Sustained **Brook Trout** Rare Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Self-Sustained

**Species** # of fish Range (in) Surveys Ave Length (in) Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 2014 7.9 4.1-11.1 2004 **Brook Trout** 8 9.0 6.8-10.5

Comments: This is a shallow rocky lake that is a wide spot in Hellroaring Creek. The fish were easily scared but a well placed cast was usually rewarded with a Yellowstone cutthroat on the line.

No brook trout observed during the 2014 survey.

# **Second Rock Lake**

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Lake Fork Trail #1 for 6 miles to Trail #2 to keyser brown lake. Stay north of

keyser brown, first rock, And Creek to second rock lake.

Location: 45.08101, -109.56356 (Map) Camp sites: Nice meadow near outlet test others. Plenty of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 36

**Section:** 08S18E31

Elevation: 9204 ft

Size:25.9 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:21ft (Ave), 50ft (Max)Lake Fork Rock Creek9 mi (7 on trail)2100 up, 100 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Abundant	Self-Sustained

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Brook Trout
 42,000 in 1933

 Cutthroat Trout
 4,700 in 1953

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2006
 Brook Trout
 73
 8.4
 6.0-12.3

 1994
 Brook Trout
 69
 9.3
 6.3-13.3

Comments: On 7/26/84 USFS ranger caught 7 eb - max. Size = 12.0". '89 creel cards - 43 eb 8-12", 90 eb 12-16", 1 rb?? 8-12" range.

Self-sustaining brookie lake. From lake Fork Trailhead take Trail #1 to Trail #2 which goes to keyser brown lake. From keyser brown follow paths on the north side of the creek to first rock lake,

Then cross-country on the north side of the valley to second Rock Lake. MFWP survey 06 lots of fish 6-12.5"

#### **Senal Lake**

Drainage: Rock Creek. 5 miles up west fork on

**Elevation:** 10153 ft Good Trail then a path 1 mile north up drainage.

Location: 45.13747, -109.58087 (Map) Camp sites: Above timberline. Camp below.

Marcuson's Code: 66

Section: 8S17E13

Size:3.59 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:10ft (Max)West Fork Rock Creek5 mi (4 on trail)2277 up, 0 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Self-Sustained

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Brook Trout	3	13.0	12.2-13.6
2012	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	4	12.2	11.0-13.7
2005	Brook Trout	6	12.0	9.0-13.8
2005	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	9	13.4	9.0-15.5

Comments: Brook Trout stocking pre-dates written records.

YCT can come down from Dude Lake. Self sustaining brookies are nice sized. In 2012 FWP surveyed with hook and line, 3

anglers 1.5 hrs.

# September Morn Lake

Drainage: Rock Creek near Sundance pass on Trail #1.

**Elevation:** 9860 ft **Camp sites:** Several campsites with some available firewood.

Location: 45.09919, -109.54349 (Map)

**Brook Trout** 

Marcuson's Code: 40

**Section:** 08S18E29

Size:11.3 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:30ft (Ave), 75ft (Max)Lake Fork Rock Creek8 mi (8 on trail)2500 up, 100 down

Abundant

Species Present

Abundance

Status

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Brook Trout
 7,000 in 1933

 Cutthroat Trout
 25,000 in 1931

Surveys	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2014	Brook Trout	33	10.0	6.2-11.8
2006	Brook Trout	18	3.8	2.8-4.5

Comments: Brook trout were abundant and vulnerable to angling.

The 2014 sample was obtained by angling for 4 hours.

Self-Sustained

## **Shadow Lake**

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Hike 8 miles up west fork on Trail #1 to Sundance bridge. Stay on right side

Elevation: 9604 ft Of Creek. Trail disappears and reappears. Lake is a creek meander.

Location: 45.10152, -109.58507 (Map) Camp sites: Few flat places to camp. Little firewood. Camp in valley below

Marcuson's Code: 52

Section: 08S17E25

Size: 3.6 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 6ft (Max) West Fork Rock Creek 9 mi (9 on trail) 1870 up, 160 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Abundant	Stocked

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> <u>Planned</u> 360 in 2015; 380 in 2012 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 360 in 2021

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2016	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	4	13.0	11.7-14.3
2009	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	11	12.8	6.5-14.8

Comments: 2016 FWP survey found fat, healthy fish though not very many. Lake is quite shallow and you can see most of the fish cruising around. Some fish may move into the larger, deeper unnamed lake just below.

## **Sheep Lake (Mountain Sheep Lake)**

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Headwaters of Rock Creek. 2 miles of Steep Trail to Glacier Lake. 1 mile

Elevation: 9994 ft cross country (NW).

**Location:** 45.01842, -109.55855 (Map) Camp sites: Fuel for fires is scarce. Poor camping.

Marcuson's Code: 12

Section: 9S18E30 Size: 5.44 acres

**Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 8ft (Ave), 18ft (Max) Glacier Lake 3.5 mi (2 on trail) 1400 up, 150 down

Species Pres	ent	Abundance		Status	
Yellowstone (	Cutthroat	Common		Stocked	
Stocking Data	<u>a</u>	Historic		Planned	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout		1,620 in 19	76; 2,430 in 1969		
<u>Surveys</u>	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2016	Vellowstone Cuttle	roat Trout	16	16.0	13.0-17.8

1999 24 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 13.5 12.5-15.8

Comments: Fish move into mtn Sheep Lake from mtn goat lake and likely cant get back because of falls. FWP sample in 2016 with 7 hr net set. YCT up to 16 inches were in good shape

#### **Shelf Lake**

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: 3 miles from the end of the Glacier Lake (rock Creek) road. Leave Glacier Elevation: 10188 ft

Camp sites:

Location: 45.02668, -109.52193 (Map) side of the creek. There is a trail that is fairly steep and has some downed

Marcuson's Code: 16

Section: 09S18E21 Size: 51.0 acres

Depth: 27ft (Ave), 55ft (Max)

Lake Trail .25 miles after foot bridge and head north up the ridge on the west timber.

There are some places to camp but there is no shelter or firewood. It is best to

camp along the stream below.

**Elevation Change Trailhead Distance** Glacier Lake 3 mi (3 on trail) 1400 up, 0 down Species Present **Abundance Status** 

Brook Trout		Common		Self-Sustained		
<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)	
2019	Brook Trout		32	10.9	8.1-15.7	
2013	Brook Trout		15	10.3	6.9-13.2	

Comments: This lake usually produces nice fat brookies. The 2019 sample obtained with angling and netting was no exception.

### Ship Lake

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: 1 mile from Maintained Trail at Sundance Lake.

**Elevation:** 10594 ft **Camp sites:** Above timberline. Some rocky places, camp below. No firewood.

**Location:** 45.11702, -109.59641 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 61

Section: 08S17E23

Size:28.9 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:22ft (Ave), 55ft (Max)West Fork Rock Creek8 mi (6.5 on trail)2600 up, 0 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Abundant	Self-Sustained

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Brook Trout
 11,200 in 1934; 6,000 in 1932

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2016
 Brook Trout
 20
 9.0
 8.2-9.7

 2009
 Brook Trout
 31
 8.3
 6.3-9.9

Comments: 2016 sampled with 4.5 hr net set. Decent size EB, some were stunted. Easy to catch. FWP crew angled 8 in 15 min in 2016.

### Silt Lake, Lower

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: 9.5 miles up the trail along the west fork of Rock Creek and 1 mile further up

Elevation: 9794 ft the creek drainage on a good path.

Location: 45.09642, -109.59623 (Map) Camp sites: Poor camping. Firewood is away From Lake.

Marcuson's Code: 54

**Section:** 08S17E26

Size:3.2 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:10ft (Max)West Fork Rock Creek10.5 mi (10.5 on trail)2100 up, 160 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	<u>Status</u>		
Yellowstone C	Cutthroat	Common		Stocked			
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)		
2016	Yellowstone Cuttl	roat Trout	4	9.4	7.4-14.1		
2009	Yellowstone Cuttl	roat Trout	8	11.2	8.8-14.4		

Comments: 50/acre every 4 years. Water is cold and growing season is short (surrounding mountains block sunlight). Outlet is blocked by

talus. Use of the lake indicates a need for continued stocking.

# Silt Lake, Upper

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: About 11 miles up the west fork of Rock Creek, 9.5 on a Maintained Trail, last

*Elevation:* 9988 ft 1.5 on a path.

Location: 45.09611, -109.60193 (Map) Camp sites: Poor camping. Little firewood near the lake.

Marcuson's Code: 55

**Section:** 08S17E26

Size:4.4 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:7ft (Max)West Fork Rock Creek11 mi (11 on trail)2100 up, 160 down

h:	7ft (Max)	West Fork Rock Creek	11 mi (11 on trail)	2100 up, 160 down	
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	Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>Status</u>	
	Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	S	Stocked	

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 380 in 2016
 380 in 2020; 380 in 2024

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2016	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	3	9.1	8.9-9.3
2009	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	8	9.1	7.7-10.2

Comments: 2016 FWP angled 3 YCT 10-11 inches. Fish were in decent shape. YCT do only o.k. here but use indicates a need for a

fishery.

## Silver Run Lake 43

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Take Trail #12 up Timberline Creek ~2.75 miles then #8 to the left. The lakes Elevation: 9450 ft

are located just under the silver run plateau. There are 5 lakes.

Camp sites: Some camping spots. Plenty of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 43

Section: 8S18E14

Location: 45.1354, -109.47872 (Map)

Size: 4.02 acres Trailhead Distance Elevation Change Depth: 4ft (Max) Timberline 5 mi (4.5 on trail) 1900 up, 0 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Rare	Self-Sustained

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)	
2012	No Fish Caught	0			
1995	Brook Trout	1	10.2	10.2-10.2	

Comments: Must be a pretty tough spot for a fish to spend the winter! May be potential for spawning in the outlet.

'95 fish was in average health. No fish found in #45, #46, or #46b. Do fish move here from downstream? 2012 FWP survey No

fish caught angling.

#### Silver Run Lake 44

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Take Trail #12 up Timberline Creek ~2.75 miles then #8 to the left. The lakes

Elevation: 9650 ft are located just under the silver run plateau. There are 5 lakes.

Location: 45.13341, -109.48213 (Map) Camp sites: Some rocky places to camp. Plenty of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 44

Section: 8S18E14 Size: 1.71 acres

**Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 4ft (Max) Timberline 5 mi (4.5 on trail) 1900 up, 0 down

Ahundance

Brook Trout	<u> </u>	Rare		Self-Sustained	
<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)

Surveys 2012	Species No Fish Caught	# of fish 0	Ave Length (In)	Range (in)
1995	Brook Trout	5	13.5	10.9-14.9

Status

Comments: Very suprised to see fish here. Seems very strange that these fish are not frozen out every winter. May be spawning potential

in inlet, none in outlet.

Species Present

'95 fish were average to fat. No fish found in #45, #46, or #46b. Do fish move here from downstream? 2012 FWP survey NO fish caught in gill net or angling.

#### Silver Run Lake 47

Access: Take Trail #12 up Timberline Creek ~2.75 miles then #8 to the left. The lakes Drainage: Rock Creek

Elevation: 9597 ft are located just under the silver run plateau. There are 5 lakes.

Location: 45.12938, -109.48269 (Map) Camp sites: Few campsites. Some firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 47

Section: 8S18E14 Size: 2.81 acres

**Elevation Change Trailhead Distance** Depth: 10ft (Max) **Timberline** 5.5 mi (4.5 on trail) 1900 up, 0 down

Species Presen	<u>nt</u>	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Common		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Brook Trout		11	10.1	8.7-11.6
2005	Brook Trout		24	10.7	9.5-12.0

Comments: #47 may be the Only Lake here that can overwinter fish. The fish may have come from timberline or gertrude lakes. No planting records. Possible/probable spawning in outlet and inlet.

> '89 creel cards - 5 eb 8-12" range. '95 fish were average to very thin. No fish found in #45, #46, or #46b. 2012 FWP survey 5 hr net set caught 11 EB. This is the lake that is best of all in this group of lakes and probably stocks the others.

## Sliderock Lake

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Hike from Jeep Trail on hellroaring plateau. The lake is at the head of

Elevation: 10394 ft Hellroaring Creek. 4 mile hike.

**Location:** 45.03875, -109.51204 (Map) Camp sites: Above timberline. No real campsites. No firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 30

Section: 09S18E16

Size: 81.0 acres Trailhead Distance Elevation Change **Depth:** 107ft (Ave), 245ft (Max) Hellroaring Plateau 3 mi (2 on trail) 1200 up, 480 down

Species Present **Abundance Status Brook Trout** Abundant Self-Sustained

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> Planned

1,560 in 1938; 13,600 in 1933 **Brook Trout** 

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2019 **Brook Trout** 11.9 10.1-13.6 55 2013 **Brook Trout** 6 7.3 5.7-9.3

Comments: This is the deepest lake in the beartooths.

In 2013 the low number of fish sampled likely was a result of a poor net set.

## Smethurst Lake (Hellroaring Lake #10)

Yellowstone Cutthroat

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Hike up Hellroaring Creek from the Jeep Trail #3004. NW down a steep

Elevation: 9594 ft grassy slope from the trailhead.

Location: 45.04149, -109.47052 (Map) Camp sites: Good campsites. Firewood is available.

Marcuson's Code: 26

Section: 9S18E14

Size: 3.79 acres **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 3ft (Ave), 4ft (Max) Hellroaring Plateau 1.5 mi (1 on trail) 280 up, 460 down

Common

Species Present **Abundance Status Brook Trout** Common Self-Sustained

# of fish Surveys **Species** Ave Length (in) Range (in) 12.2-12.2 2011 **Brook Trout** 12.2 2011 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 22 8.1 2.2-11.9 2004 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 8 9.4 7.9-10.3

Self-Sustained

Comments: Good spawning area. This lake is a shallow wide spot in Hellroaring Creek. Most of shoreline is marshy. Prospector Melvin

Martin may have planted these cutts in 1901-05.

In 2014 Yellowstone cutthroat trout were sampled in the small marsh ponds south of Smethurst Lake.

# Snowbank Lake (Hellroaring Lake #3)

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Easy hike from hellroaring Jeep Trail #3004. Elevation: 10142 ft Camp sites: Camping is better at lower lakes. Little firewood.

Location: 45.03966, -109.49345 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 19

Section: 9S18E15

Size: 7.82 acres **Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** Depth: 15ft (Ave), 40ft (Max) Hellroaring Plateau 3 mi (2.5 on trail) 480 up, 200 down

Species Present **Abundance** Status **Brook Trout** Abundant Self-Sustained

**Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys 2019 **Brook Trout** 9.7 8.9-10.2 6.5-11.9 2014 **Brook Trout** 77 9.8

Comments: Brook trout were in good condition and abundant. 2019 sample with angling only. Plenty of fish were observed but they were surprisingly picky for brookies.

## **Sundance Lake**

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: 8 miles up the Maintained Trail along the west fork of Rock Creek to the

**Elevation:** 9601 ft Sundance bridge, then cross test hike back downstream.

Location: 45.10929, -109.57762 (Map) Camp sites: Few places to camp. Firewood scarce. Camp on the hill above.

Marcuson's Code: 50

Section: 08S17E24

Size:2.9 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:8ft (Ave), 17ft (Max)West Fork Rock Creek9 mi (9 on trail)1800 up, 250 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stocked
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Brook Trout	11,200 in 1934; 12,000 in 1933	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	290 in 2016; 290 in 2012	290 in 2020; 290 in 2025
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Surveys Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in) Range (in)

SurveysSpecies# of fishAve Length (in)Range (in)2016Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout114.414.4-14.42009No Fish Caught0

Comments: YCT not doing very well here. FWP nets caught no fish in 2009 and 1 YCT in 2016. The lake is very silty, blue from glacial till.

#### **Timberline Lake**

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Rigorous climb Up Trail #12 along Timberline Creek. 2/3 up is Trail #8 to the

Elevation: 9794 ft silver Run Lakes. Pass lake gertrude on the way. Location: 45.13599, -109.50477 (Map) Camp sites: Some camping spots and firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 49

Section: 08S18E16

Size:31.4 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:27ft (Ave), 85ft (Max)Timberline5 mi (5 on trail)2100 up, 0 down

Species Present Brook Trout	<u>Abundance</u> Abundant	<u>Status</u> Self-Sustained
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Brook Trout	11,200 in 1934; 24,000 in	1933

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2015	Brook Trout	24	8.1	5.3-9.5
2005	Brook Trout	45	7.9	6.5-9.5

Comments: The 2015 sample was obtained by angling for 1.5 hours. In 2015 the fish were brightly colored but some were in poor

condition.

# **Triangle Lake**

Drainage: Rock Creek

Access: West fork Rock Creek Trail #1 7 miles almost to Sundance pass. Then west

Elevation: 10453 ft uphill through one of two chutes. Up the outlet stream not recommended.

Location: 45.11942, -109.59152 (Map) Camp sites: Above timberline. Best to camp along the w fork of Rock Creek.

Marcuson's Code: 60 Section: 08S17E23

Size:6.3 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:18ft (Ave), 35ft (Max)West Fork Rock Creek8 mi (6.5 on trail)2600 up, 0 down

Species Prese	ent	Abundance		<u>Status</u>		
Yellowstone Cutthroat		Common	Common		Stock, with some natural reproduction	
Stocking Data	1	Historic		Planned		
Yellowstone C	Cutthroat Trout	630 in 2018	3; 630 in 2010	630 in 2025		
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)	
2016	Yellowstone Cut	throat Trout	8	14.4	8.7-19.2	
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2009 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 1 20.0 20.0-20.0

Comments: This lake has been known to produce some really large Cutts. 2016 FWP sample caught nice size YCT, not huge. YCT have been found living to 10 years old here.

## Triangle Lake

**Drainage:** Rock Creek **Access:** 2 miles of Steep Trail to Glacier Lake. Triangle drains into the NW end of Glacier Lake. Toughest part of hike is getting around Glacier Lake

Elevation: 9837 ft Glacier Lake. Toughest part of hike is getting around Glacier Lake

Location: 45.0126, -109.55226 (Map)

Camp sites: Some camp sites and wood. Camping sites are better at Glacier Lake.

14.7

13.4-16.3

Marcuson's Code: 10

Section: 09S18E30

Size: 7.9 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth: 11ft (Ave), 35ft (Max)Glacier Lake3 mi (2 on trail)1170 up, 160 down

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Species Prese	ent	Abundance		<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone C	Cutthroat	Common		Stocked	
Stocking Data		<u>Historic</u>		Planned	
Yellowstone C	cutthroat Trout	790 in 2017	; 1,580 in 2009	790 in 2025	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2016	Yellowstone Cutth	roat Trout	23	12.0	4.7-17.1

Comments: FWP overnight net set in 2016 yielded 12-16 inch YCT in great shape. Multiple size classes indicate some limited reproduction.

## **Unnamed Lake (Half Moon Lake)**

2009

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Glacier Lake trailhead. Leave the Glacier Lake trail a bit past the bridge and

**Elevation:** 10391 ft follow the primitive trail towards Moon Lake. The lake is just before Moon

**Location:** 45.02819, -109.53651 (Map)

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

Marcuson's Code: None Camp sites: There is no camping spots or firewood. The shoreline is all rock and boulder.

**Section:** 09S18E20

Size:11.242 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:4ft (Ave), 15ft (Max)Glacier Lake4 mi (4 on trail)1670 up, None down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Common		Self-Sustained	
<u>Surveys</u>	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2019	Brook Trout		14	11.2	5.1-12.8

Comments: Shoreline is all rock and boulder. FWP crew angled in 2019, caught brook trout from 5-13 inches. Not sure how they got here

but it looks like they are self sustaining and doing well

# Wild Bill Lake

Drainage: Rock Creek Access: Approximately 10 miles up the west fork of Rock Creek.

Elevation: 6762 ft Camp sites:

Location: 45.15654, -109.36917 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: None

Section: 8S19E3 Size: 2.27 acres

Depth: 8ft (Max) **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Species Present **Abundance Status Brook Trout** Unknown Self-Sustained Rainbow Trout Common Stocked Stocking Data **Historic Planned Cutthroat Trout** 30,000 in 1934 Rainbow Trout 6,030 in 2019; 5,382 in 2018 6,000 in 2020; 6,000 in 2021

**Comments:** Lake is stocked four times a year prior to holidays from may to september with catchable sized rainbow. Lake is handicapped accessible.

#### Abundance Lake

Drainage: Slough Creek Access: 4x4 Jeep Trail from daisy pass north of cooke city or hike in by trail from

Elevation: 8400 ft Slough Creek.

Location: 45.08864, -110.01078 (Map) Camp sites: Camping is excellent w/ firewood. Some garbage present.

Marcuson's Code: 1

Section: 08S14E32 Size: 17.2 acres

**Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** Depth: 37ft (Max) Lake Abundance .25 mi (.25 on trail) 0 up, 0 down

Species Present **Abundance** Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Stock, with some natural reproduction

Stocking Data **Historic** 24,300 in 1947 **Cutthroat Trout** Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 1,000 in 2017; 1,000 in 2014 1,000 in 2020; 1,000 in 2023

# of fish Ave Length (in) Surveys Range (in) 2016 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 23 11.9 6.9-17.5 2012 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 12 10.1 6.0-14.0

Comments: Reproduction occurs but harvest exceeds recruitment so the lake is stocked every 3 yrs. Lake recieves a fair amount of fishing

pressure. 2016 FWP survey caught 23 YCT in 2 overnight net sets. 2012 FWP survey 2 nets 4.5 hrs and 2 anglers 3hrs caught 10 YCT.

# **Heather Lake**

Drainage: Slough Creek Access: At lake abundance Take Trail #24 down the Stillwater to Trail #34 up Elevation: 9371 ft Horseshoe Creek past lake of the woods. Cross divide past peace then n up

Location: 45.17481, -110.07202 (Map) creek.

Marcuson's Code: 6 Camp sites: Many good camping spots. Lots of firewood available.

Section: 07S13E35 Trailhead Distance Elevation Change Size: 4.4 acres Lake Abundance 13.5 mi (12.5 on trail)

2800 up, 2000 down Depth: 4ft (Max) Independence 16.2 mi (15.2 on trail) 3400 ft up, 1000 ft down Species Present **Abundance Status** 

Yellowstone Cutthroat Self-Sustained Common # of fish Surveys **Species** Ave Length (in) Range (in) Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 6.7-15.4 2012 16 12.3 1995 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 12 11.3 6.6-14.9

Comments: True native cutthroat. CT from wounded Man Creek can move into the lake. \*\*\*\*must protect this fisheries native status\*\*\*\*

Very good spawning area in inlet. Good elk country. Fish as small as 2" observed. The fish from the 2002 sample were fat. The 2012 FWP survey caught 10 YCT in a 4 hour net set. Genetic samples taken. 1 Col. Sp. Frog seen.

Peace and Heather are the only known indigenous (native) Yct Lake populations in region 5.

#### Horseshoe Lake

Drainage: Slough Creek Access: 4x4's can drive to independence and drop into Slough Creek, Lake

Elevation: 9187 ft abundance Creek Trail-rock creek-outlet creek. Location: 45.14268, -110.08944 (Map) Camp sites: Firewood is available. Lots of 'junk' Around Lake.

Marcuson's Code: 2

Yellowstone Cutthroat

Elevation Change Section: 08S13E15 **Distance** Trailhead Size: 5.0 acres Lake Abundance 14 mi (13.5 on trail) 1940 up, 1162 down Depth: 13ft (Max)

Independence 15 mi (14.5 on trail) 2214 ft up, 2634 ft down Species Present Abundance Status

Rare Stocking Data **Historic** Planned Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 1,000 in 2008; 1,000 in 2000

# of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys <u>Species</u> 2012 No Fish Caught 0 1989 No Fish Caught 0

Comments: Lake provides recreation for elk hunters. Much of this area was burned in 1988. '89 net set for 5 hours in the afternoon. 1,300 CT's planted in '76.

Stocked every 8 years. Not very 'pristine'. '88 fire may have hurt fishery. Let this one go till scheduled 1992 plant. 2012 FWP survey 12.5 hr. net set 0 YCT caught or observed.

Stocked

#### **Peace Lake**

Drainage: Slough Creek, a tributary of slough creek, or hike up

Elevation: 8750 ft horseshoe creek, a tributary of the Stillwater.

Location: 45.16344, -110.0643 (Map) Camp sites: Firewood available. Much of this area burned in '88.

Marcuson's Code: 5

 Section:
 8S13E1
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 2.83 acres
 Independence
 14 mi (14 on trail)
 1125 up, 2000 down

 Depth:
 4ft (Max)
 Lake Abundance
 12.5 mi (12.5 on trail)
 2025 ft up, 1700 ft down

Yellowstone Cutthroat Abundant Self-Sustained	Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
	Yellowstone Cutthroat	Abundant	Self-Sustained	

Surveys	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	28	7.8	5.1-10.0
1989	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	24	9.0	6.5-10.9

Comments: One of Two Lakes in the a-b wilderness with indigenous cutthroat. Management should be to protect the status of the fishery.

The fish in '89 were small but very healthy looking.

One of only Two Lakes in the beartooths with indigenous cutthroat. May need special protection.

'02 fish were angled easily. 2012 FWP survey 4.5 hr net set + 2 anglers caught 28 YCT.3 Col. Spot. Frogs observed.

#### Anvil Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Good Trail up the Stillwater to Goose Creek then cross country or hike west

Elevation: 9512 ft from Goose Lake jeep trail 2.5 miles (cross country).

Location: 45.10029, -109.96184 (Map) Camp sites: Plenty of firewood and good camp sites. About 70% of shoreline burned in 1988.

Marcuson's Code: 36

Section: 08S14E27

Size: 10.1 acres **Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** Depth: 17ft (Ave), 45ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeep Trail 3.5 mi (0 on trail) 400 up, 800 down

Species Present **Abundance** Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Stock, with some natural reproduction

<u>Planned</u> Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> 758 in 2014; 750 in 2009 758 in 2022 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

# of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys **Species** 2017 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 37 11.0-15.3 12.9 2013 No Fish Caught

Comments: No fish captured in 2013 survey thus stocking moved up to 2014. Fish are doing well now. 2017 FWP sample caught 37 YCT

in overnight net set. Lots of fish rising.

#### Asteroid Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Headwaters of Flood Creek drainage. Hike on trails to lake surrender then

Elevation: 9453 ft cross country SE 3 miles. No trail. **Location:** 45.27134, -110.01458 (Map) Camp sites: Fair firewood. Good camping.

Marcuson's Code: 80

Section: 06S14E32 Elevation Change **Trailhead Distance** Initial Creek 4000 up, 1200 down Size: 3.2 acres 22 mi (22 on trail) Depth: 17ft (Ave), 40ft (Max) Woodbine 13 mi (7 on trail) 4100 ft up, 0 ft down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Golden Trout Common Stocked

Stocking Data **Historic** Planned 320 in 2017; 320 in 2012 Golden Trout 320 in 2023

# of fish Ave Length (in) Surveys **Species** Range (in) 2018 Golden Trout 13.9 13.9-13.9 1994 Golden Trout 18 8.4 6.0-12.6

Comments: Intent of plant is to allow GT to move downstream. Good outlet for spawning, nice gravel. Good food base, lots of aquatic invertebrates. Fish planted in '91 were .9" 0's and 4.7" age 1's.

2.5 hour net set in daylight in '01. Water level was low. 1982 plant apparently did not take. Ralph Saunders reported no fish in 1987 and netting in '91 failed to show any survival. Glen Owens 7/99 - no fish. Access is both long and difficult.

The lake plateau can be reached from any of 4 Trailheads, Woodbine, west stillwater, upsidedown and box canyon.

#### Aufwuchs Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Tough hike off Of Trail #23 on wounded Man Creek. About 15 miles from

Elevation: 8951 ft Woodbine. 3700' up, 300' down.

Camp sites: Decent camping with plenty of firewood. 92 no signs of any use. **Location:** 45.21631, -110.04652 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 54

Section: 07S13E24

Yellowstone Cutthroat

Size: 30.0 acres Trailhead **Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 28ft (Max) Woodbine 15 mi (13 on trail) 3700 up, 300 down

Species Present **Abundance Status** 

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> Planned Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 7,020 in 1969

Common

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 7.4-20.3 2016 47 11.9 1992 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 19 15.3 8.9-20.2

Comments: Tough to get to this lake. FWP sampled in 2016 good fishing for healthy YCT up to 20 inches. Inlet was dry outlet was nearly dry. Reproduction likely occurs in wet years only. K. Latterell and B. Lesher caught 35 YCT 7-18" early July 2010, skinny to avg. weight.

Self-Sustained

#### **Barrier Lake**

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Long hike from any Trailhead. The excellent Initial Creek trail gets you near Elevation: 8394 ft

wounded Man Lake. From this lake it's an arduous 1.5 m climb down.

10.3

8.4-13.5

Location: 45.25064, -110.05274 (Map) Camp sites: Tough camping. May be best at the outlet. Lots of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 66

Section: 07S13E1 Elevation Change Trailhead **Distance** Size: 42.4 acres West Stillwater 19.5 mi (17 on trail) 3300 up, 1700 down Depth: 130ft (Max) Box Canyon 17.5 mi (15 on trail) 3100 ft up, 1600 ft down

Species Prese	<u>ent</u>	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Rainbow Trou	t X Golden Trout	Common		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2019	Rainbow Trout		32	7.7	5.1-11.7

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Comments: Origin of these fish is unknown. FWP sampled with angling in 2019. Fishing was easy for RB 6-12 inches.

Low use. Very steep sides/shorelines - rocky.

## Beauty Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: 1 mile north of Goose Creek, a tributary of the Stillwater near Lulu Pass. Hike

Elevation: 9358 ft west from Goose Lake.

Rainbow X Golden Trout

Location: 45.10583, -109.97032 (Map) Camp sites: Camp spots can be found but some are marshy. There is plenty of wood.

Marcuson's Code: 34

Section: 08S14E27

1997

Size: 5.9 acres **Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** Depth: 19ft (Ave), 55ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeep Trail 4 mi (0 on trail) 500 up, 1100 down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Self-Sustained Yellowstone Cutthroat Abundant

Stocking Data Planned Historic Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 2,080 in 1968; 1,000 in 1967

Surveys # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Species 2018 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 11.0 6.8-13.8 46 2008 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 10 9.6 7.1-12.0

Comments: The FWP crew reported "amazing fishing" for 7-14 inch Yellowstone Cutthroats in 2018. Cutthroat have remained self

sustaining here since the 1970's.

#### Bill Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: From Woodbine 5 Trail miles to flood crk. Climb! 4 miles up the crk (no trail). Flood crk drainage is basically impassable. Do not attempt unless you enjoy Elevation: 8456 ft

Location: 45.29616, -110.00305 (Map) torture! Use Box Cayon, Upsidedown or West Fork Stillwater trailheads.

Marcuson's Code: 76 Camp sites: There are some flat spots to camp, plenty of firewood.

**Section:** 06S14E20 **Trailhead Distance** 

**Elevation Change** Size: 10.4 acres Woodbine 9 mi (5 on trail) 3130 up, 0 down Depth: 12ft (Ave), 28ft (Max) Box Canyon Trail 22.5 mi (22.5 on trail) 2900 ft up, 1200 ft down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Cutthroat Hybrid Common Self-Sustained Rainbow Trout Hybrid Common Self-Sustained

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Golden X Rainbow X Cutthroat	16	9.2	6.2-15.4
2018	Rainbow Trout	9	10.4	9.4-11.8
1991	Cutthroat X Golden Trout	1	9.8	9.8-9.8
1991	Rainbow X Golden Trout	2	9.4	9.3-9.5

Comments: Access from the lake plateau is long and difficult. MTFWP sampled in 2018 and found good numbers of nice sized fish, most

looked like hybrids.

#### Cataract Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Easy hike from Woodbine to sioux charley. Cross river. Work south through Elevation: 8781 ft

burn ~1 mi to Falls Creek. Steep x-country climb up creek. Stay to left.

**Location:** 45.28013, -109.89649 (Map) Camp sites: Few good campsites but lots of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 8

Section: 06S15E29

Size: 9.7 acres Trailhead Distance Elevation Change Depth: 22ft (Ave), 45ft (Max) Woodbine 8 mi (4 on trail) 3800 up, 100 down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Yellowstone Cutthroat Rare Stocked

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> <u>Planned</u> Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 485 in 2015; 485 in 2007 485 in 2023

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 1997 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 17.0 17.0-17.0 1990 No Fish Caught 0

Comments: Trophy fishery is the goal here. Poor spawning grounds. 8-year cycle at 50/acre. Leave as is. Good fishery potential, lots of feed, but no fish left from the '77 plant.

Access is 'very' difficult. Use by fishermen would be very limited. Little sign of use. The outlet of the lake is burned. '97 fish weighed 2.3 lbs. Lots of caddis. '90 gill net set for 5 hours by volunteer crew.

Ralph Saunders 9/5test6/04 - 10 hours each way with 25lb packs. Treacherous - burned downfall with thick regrowth. Jump log to log. Will get worse before better. Weird 14" CT's - blood red, high fat. Survey at some future date.

#### Chrome Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Reached via the benbow mine road. The lake is outside the

absaroka-beartooth wilderness. Marginal for 2 wheel drives. Advisable to walk Elevation: 8535 ft Location: 45.3508, -109.79643 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 1 Camp sites: Plenty of firewood and some campsites on south side Of Lake.

**Section:** 05S16E31

Size: 3.6 acres **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Benbow Mine Road Depth: 4ft (Ave), 17ft (Max) 0 mi (0 on trail) 0 up, 0 down

**Species Present Abundance Status** Common Arctic Grayling Stocked Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Stocked

Stocking Data **Historic Planned** Arctic Grayling 360 in 2012; 110 in 2009 360 in 2025 **Brook Trout** 8,000 in 1943 **Cutthroat Trout** 15,000 in 1932 Rainbow Trout 3,570 in 1949 360 in 2021; 360 in 2023 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 360 in 2019; 360 in 2017

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2019 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 11 11.2 10.0-13.0 2016 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 9 10.3 8.5-11.5

Comments: Relatively easy access via Benbow Road. Large shrimp (1") and many leeches present. No GR caught in last two samples. In 2008 both species seemed to be doing well. Will continue stocking both species.

## **Cimmerian Lake**

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Located on Flood Creek which is near impassable avoid!. Best access is from

**Elevation:** 8594 ft the lake plateau down Flood Creek.

**Location:** 45.29573, -110.02713 (Map) **Camp sites:** Some campsites and plenty of firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 85

 Section:
 06S14E19
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 18.8 acres
 Box Canyon
 19.5 mi (19.5 on trail)
 3100 up, 1200 down

 Depth:
 13ft (Ave), 30ft (Max)
 Initial Creek
 21.5 mi (21.5 on trail)
 3300 ft up, 1200 ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Rainbow Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Rainbow Trout X Golden Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Self-Sustained

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Golden X Rainbow X Cutthroat	14	10.8	5.5-16.7
1986	Rainbow Trout	2	14.7	11.0-18.4
1986	Rainbow X Golden Trout	4	10.6	7.5-17.0

Comments: A good fishery with a lot of colorful hybrids. Fish also occupy the creek. In 2018 the FWP crew sampled with angling and found

nice sized fish that fought hard.

## **Courthouse Lake**

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Can reach via Goose Lake Jeep Trail. Hike west from Goose Lake. Just

Elevation: 9935 ft below courthouse mountain.

Location: 45.12654, -109.95526 (Map)

Camp sites: Few campsites. Scarce firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 21

**Section:** 08S14E23

Size:18.8 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:58ft (Ave), 205ft (Max)Goose Lake Jeep Trail6 mi (0 on trail)1600 up, 1000 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stocked

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	1.880 in 2019: 1.880 in 2011	

<u>Surveys</u>	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	5	17.1	15.5-18.1
2010	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	6	20.0	19.1-20.7

Comments: 2017 FWP sample caught 5 YCT in overnight set, no fish caught angling. Densities seem low. This lake has grown some really

nice size YCT in the past.

Orange plankton D. Shoshone present.

# **Diaphanous Lake**

**Drainage:** Stillwater **Access:** Several trails From Lake plateau serve the lake.

Elevation: 9611 ft Camp sites: Excellent camping but firewood is somewhat picked over.

Location: 45.28416, -110.08671 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 73

Section: 6S13E27 Size: 8.68 acres Depth: 25ft (Max) TrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeWest Fork of Stillwater16 mi (16 on trail)3100 up, 0 downUpsidedown Trail15.5 mi (15.5 on trail)3780 ft up, 700 ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Rainbow Trout	Unknown	Unknown
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Arctic Grayling		850 in 2020
Rainbow Trout	1,608 in 1980	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	No Fish Caught	0		
1993	Rainbow Trout	7	13.5	11.8-15.1

**Comments:** MTFWP netted in 2018 and found no fish. Five days of netting in '03 produced no fish for a whirling disease study. These fish appear to have died out.

## **Dreary Lake**

Drainage: Stillwater Elevation: 9194 ft

**Location:** 45.27861, -110.06228 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 88

Section: 06S13E25 Size: 15.5 acres Depth: 5ft (Ave), 12f Access: Access best from the lake plateau. The lake is in the Flood Creek drainage. 4

ways in - initial Creek/Woodbine/upsidedown Trail/box canyon. ( upsidedown

or box canyon are best).

Camp sites: There are some camping spots. There is plenty of firewood.

	<u>Trailhead</u>	<u>Distance</u>	Elevation Change	
2ft (Max)	Initial Creek	20 mi (20 on trail)	3100 up, 700 down	
Lit (iviax)	Box Canyon Trail	19 mi (19 on trail)	3540 ft up, 1900 ft down	

Species Prese	<u>ent</u>	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Rainbow Trou	t X Golden Trout	Abundant		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	No Fish Caught		0		
2018	Rainbow Trout		16	10.7	7.1-15.6
1994	Rainbow Trout		16	8.5	6.4-12.9
1994	Rainbow X Golden	Γrout	2	7.2	6.8-7.5

Comments: Most fish look like Rainbows, some have Golden Trout characteristics. MTFWP crew netted the lake in 2018.

# Dryad Lake

Drainage: Stillwater

Elevation: 9194 ft

Location: 45.28501, -110.02473 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 84

Section: 06S14E30 Size: 5.1 acres

Depth: 12ft (Ave), 45ft (Max)

Access: Access difficult. Headwaters of Flood Creek. Hike on trails to lake surrender

then x-country southeast 1.5 miles.

Camp sites: Only a few flat spots (near inlet). Plenty of firewood.

Trailhead	<u>Distance</u>	Elevation Change
Woodbine	12 mi (6 on trail)	4050 up, 0 down
Box Canyon Trail	22 mi (20 on trail)	3500 ft up, 1100 ft down

Species Present Golden Trout	Abundance Common	<u>Status</u> Stocked	
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>	
Golden Trout	510 in 2017; 510 in 2012	510 in 2023	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Golden Trout	16	13.7	9.1-18.9
1994	Cutthroat X Golden Trout	15	9.8	6.2-15.0
1994	Rainbow X Golden Trout	1	15.5	15 5-15 5

Comments: 1440 gt's planted in '82, 765 in '91. The '91 plants were age 0 and 1 fish. '01 net set for 19.5 hours. Long hike from anywhere. Glen Owens 7/99 found no goldens.

Replant when possible. Decent food base, some shrimp and lots of aquatic insects. Nice Lake. No spawning potential in the outlet - all large rocks 1 foot or better in diameter. Deep inlet stream has decent potential. It is sandy with some gravel. '94 fish in good general health. Stomachs full of shrimp.

# **Favonius Lake**

Drainage: Stillwater

Elevation: 9505 ft

Location: 45.21864, -110.09625 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 56

**Section: 07S13E15** Size: 25.5 acres

Depth: 5ft (Ave), 15ft (Max)

Access: Trail #27 up e. Fork of the boulder Past Lake kathleen and up Rainbow Creek. Take the right fork, cross the creek to columbine pass then down.

Camp sites: Lots of campsites and firewood is available

**Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Box Canyon 12.3 mi (12.3 on trail) 3300 up, 700 down

Species Prese	<u>ent</u>	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone Cutthroat		Common		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2019	Yellowstone Cut	throat Trout	35	10.2	4.9-18.1
2008	Yellowstone Cut	throat Trout	9	12.0	8.0-16.1

Comments: Fish are obviously spawning successfully. FWP visited lake in 2016 but didn't catch enough fish for a sample. Did see redds in inlet. FWP sampled in 2019, fishing was good but gill net didn't catch many.

## Fly Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Hike cross country from Goose Lake for 3 miles. One can drive to Goose

Elevation: 9794 ft Lake with a 4x4 truck.

Camp sites: Good camping between Spider and Fly lakes, Adequate firewood. Little use. **Location:** 45.11996, -109.96935 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 25

Section: 08S14E22

Size: 2.5 acres Trailhead Distance Elevation Change Depth: 17ft (Ave), 38ft (Max) 1300 up, 1200 down Goose Lake Jeep Trail 5 mi (0 on trail)

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Abundant	Self-Sustained

<u>Surveys</u>	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Brook Trout	10	9.7	8.2-11.0
2010	Brook Trout	13	10.5	8.8-12.0

Comments: The 2010 and 2017 samples were obtained using angling. EB are quite easy to catch here.

## Glacier Green Lake (Glacier Creek Lake)

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Leave the end of the Goose Lake Jeep Trail and take trail around e. Side to

Elevation: 9027 ft little goose. Then x-country NW to incisor lake, then down the creek.

Location: 45.14389, -109.92336 (Map) Camp sites: Firewood and campsites available.

Marcuson's Code: 17

Section: 08S14F12 **Size:** 16.3 acres

**Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** Depth: 20ft (Ave), 47ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeep Trail

4 mi (3 on trail) 240 up, 1200 down

Species Present **Abundance Status Brook Trout** Abundant Self-Sustained

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> <u>Planned</u> **Cutthroat Trout** 6,900 in 1937

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2017 **Brook Trout** 19 7.4 5.1-9.4 1995 **Brook Trout** 138 7.8 5.7-13.3

Comments: Overcrowded with brookies. Anglers should feel free to eat a fish supper here. 2017 FWP easily angled 19 EB in 40 min

#### Goose Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Goose Lake 4x4 Jeep Trail from cooke city. From the end of the jeep road,

Elevation: 9945 ft follow the hiking trail over the hill, north to Goose Lake 1/4 mile.

Location: 45.11735, -109.91315 (Map) Camp sites: Many places to camp but firewood is scarce. Above tree line.

Marcuson's Code: 42

Section: 08S15E19

Size: 102.0 acres **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 46ft (Ave), 130ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeep Trail .25 mi (.25 on trail) 50 up, 0 down

Species Present **Abundance** Status Yellowstone Cutthroat Abundant Self-Sustained

Surveys Species # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2017 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 10 9.3 5.6-11.4 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 1998 29 8.7 4.9-11.2

Comments: 2017 sample obtained with angling. Fish condition tends to be thin to average. The lake receives a fair amount of use.

## **Huckleberry Lake**

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Short 1 mile cross country hike from Goose Lake Jeep Trail. Elevation: 9591 ft Camp sites: There are some flat spots to camp and some firewood is nearby.

**Location:** 45.08756, -109.92405 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 46

Section: 08S14E36

**Size:** 15.3 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 17ft (Ave), 49ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeep Trail .5 mi (0 on trail) 160 up, 160 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Abundant	Unknown
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Rainbow Trout	3,570 in 1949	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	2,300 in 2011; 2,300 in 2010	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)	
2018	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	26	13.3	7.3-17.0	
2013	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	14	9.2	6.9-11.9	

Comments: MTFWP completed a rotenone project to remove brook trout in 2007 and 2008. There were 200 8-inch YCT planted in 2009. Fingerlings were planted in 2009-2011 to establish self sustaining population. MTFWP sampled in 2018 with netting and angling. The YCT appear to be self-sustaining now and are growing to nice sizes.

#### Imelda Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: From Lake abundance Take Trail #24 down the Stillwater to Clarks Creek Elevation: 9804 ft

opposite horseshoe creek test Trail #34. Difficult 4 mile x-country up Clarks

Creek.

Marcuson's Code: 13 Camp sites: Rocky terrain provides marginal camping. Firewood scarce.

**Section:** 08S15E6 **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Size: 32.4 acres Lake Abundance 14 mi (10 on trail) 2800 up, 1600 down Depth: 26ft (Ave), 75ft (Max) Woodbine 19.9 mi (15.2 on trail) 4500 ft up, 0 ft down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Abundant		Self-Sustained	
<u>Surveys</u>	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
1995	Brook Trout		62	7.6	6.2-9.0
1975	Brook Trout		35	8.4	6.0-10.3

Comments: Any route you choose to this lake it is a ball buster. A. Hag. Agrees '95. Only fair spawning potential in inlet but the brookies

make the most of it.

Location: 45.16618, -109.91183 (Map)

Greg Aldrich reports lots of small EB's up to 10" 8/92. '95 - fish were in average condition.

## **Incisor Lake**

Drainage: Stillwater Access: No Trail. Best access is from Goose Lake via the Goose Lake jeep trail.

Elevation: 9699 ft Camp sites: Few campsites. Some firewood.

**Location:** 45.13457, -109.91323 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 18

**Section:** 08S15E18 Size: 5.9 acres Depth: 14ft (Ave), 32ft (Max)

**Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Goose Lake Jeep Trail 240 up, 440 down 3 mi (2 on trail)

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Golden Trout		Abundant	Stock, with some natural reproduction
Stocking Data		Historic	Planned
Golden Trout		3,000 in 2017; 1,000 in 2011	1,180 in 2023
Surveys	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in) Range (in)

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Golden Trout	22	12.4	7.2-16.8
2010	Golden Trout	34	8.9	5.9-16.5

Comments: 2017 fish were in great condition, bright orange flesh, looks like some reproduction. Good spawning area in the outlet. One 10" fish seen in '00, none in net. Outlet goes underground before reaching Glacier Creek lake.

Fish were seen attempting to spawn in the outlet stream.

# Jasper Lake (Tumble Lake)

Drainage: Stillwater Access: No Trail exists from Trail #90 on the west fork of the Stillwater. Follow East Elevation: 9184 ft

side of Tumble Creek. It's a steep climb, large boulders and deadfall.

**Location:** 45.34573, -110.04104 (Map) Camp sites: Nice campsite, plenty of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 100

Section: 6S14E6 **Elevation Change Distance** Trailhead Size: 34.16 acres Initial Creek 6.5 mi (4 on trail) 2600 up, 100 down Depth: 15ft (Ave), 77ft (Max) W.F.Stillwater None mi (None on trail) None ft up, None ft down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Self-Sustained

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> <u>Planned</u> Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 5,000 in 1977; 5,074 in 1968

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2013 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 6.4-14.6 22 10.8 2003 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 13.1 11.5-14.5

Comments: Lake is also referred to as tumble lake. There are also YCT in the upper lake.

The 2003 sample was obtained by angling.

## Jay Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Best access is from the Boulder lake plateau. The lake is in the Flood Creek

Elevation: 9794 ft drainage which is basically impassable.

Location: 45.30673, -110.06669 (Map) Camp sites: Unsheltered area. Lots of flat spots. Some firewood .

Marcuson's Code: 93

**Section:** 06S13E14 **Distance Elevation Change** Trailhead Size: 23.7 acres Woodbine 15 mi (6 on trail) 4530 up, 0 down Depth: 35ft (Max) W.F.Stillwater 22 mi (19.5 on trail) 4200 ft up, 1000 ft down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Self-Sustained **Planned** Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> Largemouth Bass 5,000 in 1988 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 2,300 in 1977

# of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) **Species** <u>Surveys</u> Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 22 7.2-16.9 2018 14.4 2005 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 14 13.4 9.3-15.5

Comments: Jay Lake as planted in '77 with Yellowstone cutthroat and is now self-sustaining. MTFWP crew netted and angled in 2018. Some of the larger fish were a little thin but most were in good shape.

#### Jeff Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Accessible from the Goose Lake Jeep Trail. Outside of the a-b wilderness.

Elevation: 9220 ft Camp sites: Some firewood and campsites available.

Location: 45.08959, -109.93605 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 48

**Section:** 08S14E36

Elevation Change Size: 1.3 acres **Trailhead Distance** Depth: 4ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeep Trail 2 mi (1 on trail) 0 up, 640 down

Abundant

Species Present **Status** <u>Abundance</u> Yellowstone Cutthroat

Stocking Data Planned Historic Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 325 in 2011; 790 in 2010

Unknown

Ave Length (in) Surveys **Species** # of fish Range (in) 2013 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 11 10.8 7.9-12.7 2008 **Brook Trout** 10 3.9-8.0

Comments: Rotenone project to remove brook trout in 2007 and 2008. YCT planted in 2009 and 2010.

Jeff Lake has a good inlet flow most of which comes from sheep mtn. The outlet drops ~60 ft and flows into Mutt Lake. Numerous YCT observed in 2010. The 2013 sample was obtained using angling for 2 hours.

#### Jordan Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Trail #27 e fork of main boulder-I kathleen-rainbow cr-I columbine-columbine Elevation: 8925 ft

pass-between favonius test pentad, then 2 miles down test up to jordan.

Location: 45.23507, -110.07757 (Map) Camp sites: Some campsites along the east shore with plenty of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 62

Section: 07S13E11

Size: 14.7 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 17ft (Ave), 35ft (Max) Box Canyon 14 mi (14 on trail) 3400 up, 1400 down

Species Prese	<u>ent</u>	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone C	Cutthroat	Common		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
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Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 2016 16 10.3 8.2-12.6 2008 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 6.6-12.3 14 9.5

Comments: In 1969 it was felt this lake needed increased harvest and it seemed to be a well used lake. Not much has changed. There are still plenty of cutts that are a bit on the thin side and there is still evidence of use.

#### Lake Aries

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Hike cross country from Goose Lake. One can reach Goose Lake with a 4x4

Elevation: 9547 ft truck or hike NE from beauty lake.

Location: 45.11244, -109.96653 (Map) Camp sites: Camping is fair, some firewood. Little sign of '88 fire.

Marcuson's Code: 29

Section: 8S14E27

Size: 6.0 acres **Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** Depth: 32ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeep Trail 4.5 mi (0 on trail) 1000 up, 1200 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout		Abundant		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Brook Trout		10	8.5	7.5-9.5
2013	Brook Trout		19	7.5	5.1-8.9

Comments: No additional management suggested. Little use.

The 2017 sample was obtained with 2 anglers for 15 minutes. Brook Trout were eager to eat a fly

#### Lake Of The Woods

Access: Take Trail #24 down the Stillwater from the lake abundance trailhead. At Drainage: Stillwater

Elevation: 8784 ft Horseshoe Creek Take Trail #34 to lake of the woods.

Camp sites: Many campsites, plenty of firewood. Area is burned only a few live trees. Location: 45.16151, -110.04532 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 49

1995

Section: 08S13E1 **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Size: 7.9 acres 1700 up, 1500 down Lake Abundance 13 mi (13 on trail) Depth: 6ft (Ave), 16ft (Max) Independence 16 mi (16 on trail) 3400 ft up, 1000 ft down

Species Pres	<u>ent</u>	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone (	Cutthroat	Abundant		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2012	Yellowstone Cut	throat Trout	38	8.6	4.5-12.4

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9.3

Comments: No stocking record exists for Lake of the Woods, fish may have been transplanted from Peace and Heather Lakes. In 2012

MTFWP crew caught 38 YCT in a 12.5 hr net set. The entire shoreline is burned.

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

4.5-15.3

#### **Lake Pinchot**

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Best access is from the lake plateau. Avoid the Flood Creek drainage like the

Elevation: 9332 ft plague! Basically impassable!

Location: 45.27921, -110.07191 (Map) Camp sites: Excellent camping, lots of Firewood. Lake receives a lot of use.

Marcuson's Code: 91

 Section:
 06S13E26
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 53.9 acres
 Upsidedown Creek
 16 mi (16 on trail)
 3750 up, 1000 down

 Depth:
 12ft (Ave), 30ft (Max)
 Box Canyon
 18 mi (18 on trail)
 2950 ft up, 400 ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Rainbow Trout X Golden Trout	Common	Self-Sustained	

<u>Surveys</u>	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Rainbow Trout	11	13.3	11.0-15.5
1993	Rainbow Trout	7	12.3	10.8-14.5
1993	Rainbow X Cutthroat Trout	12	11.5	6.4-14.8

Comments: Lake Pinchot is a popular place with signs of horse use. The origin of the Rainbows is not known. Spawning success is evident.

MTFWP sampled in 2018 with angling. They caught Rainbows from 11-15 inches that fought hard.

## Lake Surrender

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Best access is from the lake plateau. The lake is in the Flood Creek drainage Elevation: 8728 ft which is basically impassable. There is intermittent trail from Lake Pinchot.

Location: 45.29602, -110.03597 (Map) Camp sites: Camping is best near the inlet. There is plenty of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 86

 Section:
 06S14E19
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 9.1 acres
 Box Canyon
 19 mi (19 on trail)
 3100 up, 1100 down

 Depth:
 13ft (Ave), 40ft (Max)
 West Stillwater
 21 mi (21 on trail)
 3300 ft up, 1200 ft down

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Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	:	Status
Cutthroat Hybrid	Common	;	Self-Sustained
Rainbow Trout Hybrid	Common	,	Self-Sustained

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Golden X Rainbow X Cutthroat	12	12.0	8.5-14.9
2018	Rainbow Trout	3	6.0	3.3-8.9
1997	Cutthroat X Golden Trout	2	9.6	8.1-11.0
1997	Rainbow X Golden Trout	2	9.0	8.0-10.0

**Comments:** Access is both long and difficult. The lake is full of colorful hybrids, CTXRBXGT and everything in between. The mountain lakes crew sampled with netting and angling in 2018.

## **Lake Wilderness**

Drainage: Stillwater Access: If going up Woodbine Creek, downfall and thick lodgepole. Best to cross

Elevation: 9581 ft stillwater plateau from near the benbow mine. Partial Trails.

Common

Location: 45.27921, -109.84082 (Map) Camp sites: Many campsites. Firewood is available.

Marcuson's Code: 2

Section: 06S15E27

Size:19.0 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:40ft (Ave), 120ft (Max)Near Chrome Lake7 mi (2 on trail)1500 up, 1100 down

1: 40ft (Ave), 120ft (Max)	Near Chrome Lake	7 mi (2 on trail)	1500 up, 1100 down	
Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	3,000 in 1984; 540 in 1976		

Surveys	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2013	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	14	14.7	10.0-16.0
2004	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	16	12.1	10.0-14.3

Comments: Good spawning area in outlet.

Yellowstone Cutthroat

The 2013 sample was obtained using angling.

Self-Sustained

## **Lightning Lake**

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Up Trail #90 from Initial Creek to east side of tumble creek or east side of Elevation: 9394 ft

lightning creek. May be best from near mouth of divide creek.

**Location:** 45.33387, -110.07004 (Map) Camp sites: Nice sites. Plenty of wood but picked over between lakes.

Marcuson's Code: 102

Section: 06S13E2 **Elevation Change Distance** Trailhead Size: 61.3 acres Initial Creek 9.5 mi (5 on trail) 2950 up, 200 down 2700 ft up, 500 ft down **Depth:** 44ft (Ave), 122ft (Max) Lake Plateau 20 mi (15 on trail)

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Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Statu</u> :	3
Golden Trout	Common	Self-S	Sustained
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Plann</u>	<u>ed</u>

10,310 in 1956 Golden Trout Ave Length (in) Surveys **Species** # of fish Range (in) 2013 Golden Trout 36 6.3-19.8 10.7

2003 Golden Trout 16 9.4 6.9-16.3 Comments: Fish were progeny of Sylvan Lake stock. Goldens spawn in the outlet. Offspring spend time in Little Lightning, then move back

Muliple fire rings. Heavy use. The 2003 sample was obtained using angling.

## Little Goose Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Hike 1 mile up Goose Creek from Goose Lake. One can reach Goose Lake

Elevation: 9984 ft with a 4x4 vehicle.

Location: 45.12609, -109.90624 (Map) Camp sites: Firewood scarce.some flat spots to camp

Marcuson's Code: 43

Section: 08S15E19

into Lightning.

Elevation Change Size: 8.1 acres **Trailhead Distance** Depth: 9ft (Ave), 23ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeep Trail 1.5 mi (1.5 on trail) 100 up, 0 down

Species Presen	<u>t</u>	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone Cu	tthroat	Abundant		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Yellowstone Cutthr	oat Trout	11	9.4	7.8-12.2
2000	Yellowstone Cutthr	oat Trout	15	11.1	7.8-13.9

Comments: No planting records. Fish may have come from the clarks fork river.

Reproduction is occuring at a healthy rate. Monitor periodically. 2017 sample was angled in 1.5 hours. YCT were a little more

picky than usual

## Little Lightning Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Up Trail #90 from Initial Creek to east side of tumble creek or east side of

Elevation: 9391 ft lightning creek. May be best from near mouth of Divide Creek. Location: 45.33857, -110.0667 (Map) Camp sites: Nice places to camp but firewood is picked over between lakes.

Marcuson's Code: 102

Section: 06S13E2 **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Initial Creek Size: 13.8601 acres 9.25 mi (5 on trail) 2900 up, 200 down Lake Plateau Depth: 12ft (Ave), 12ft (Max) None mi (None on trail) None ft up, None ft down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Golden Trout		Abundant		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2013	Golden Trout		14	9.0	6.9-15.1
1995	Golden Trout		41	9.0	5.8-16.1

Comments: Fish from Lightning Lake spawn in the outlet. Emerging fry drift into Little Lightning. Over time some of these movr back into

Lightning.

The 2003 sample was obtained by angling.

#### **Martes Lake**

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Accessed from box Canyon Trail, upsidedown trail, or Woodbine trail the lake

Elevation: 9433 ft is north of the middle fork of wounded Man Creek.

Location: 45.24986, -110.08505 (Map) Camp sites: Some good camp spots at East end of the lake with plenty of fuel.

Marcuson's Code: 65

 Section:
 07S13E3
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 17.5 acres
 Box Canyon Trail #27
 18.5 mi (18 on trail)
 3600 up, 900 down

 Depth:
 33ft (Max)
 Woodbine
 19.5 mi (19 on trail)
 4200 ft up, 0 ft down

Species PresentAbundanceStatusYellowstone CutthroatCommonStocked

Stocking DataHistoricPlannedYellowstone Cutthroat Trout875 in 2019; 875 in 2011

SurveysSpecies# of fishAve Length (in)Range (in)2019Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout316.614.0-18.12009Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout2214.012.4-15.0

Comments: Martes lake usually produces large fish. Plant numbers were cut to 50/acre in 1995 to boost growth rates. The 2019 survey

found low numbers of decent sized YCT.

## **Mountain View Lake**

**Drainage:** Stillwater **Access:** Can be accessed by hiking up Mountain View Creek from the road above **Elevation:** 6986 ft Stillwater mine settling ponds. It is guite steep at the start with some old road

Location: 45.3872, -109.90144 (Map) beds helping near the end. Use care to stay on NFS property. Can also be

Marcuson's Code: None accessed from the Rabbit Gulch trail.

Section: 05S15E20 Camp sites:

Size: 3.7201 acres
Depth: 6ft (Ave), 13ft (Max)

Yellowstone Cutthroat

TrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeRoad 24861.5 mi (NO on trail)1500 up, 0 downRabbit Gulch4.5 mi (3 on trail)None ft up, None ft down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Brook Trout
 Unknown
 Unknown

 White Sucker
 Abundant
 Self-Sustained

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Brook Trout	5	9.6	8.5-10.7
2018	Lake Chub	1	5.1	5.1-5.1
2009	Brook Trout	10	11.2	8.8-16.3
2009	White Sucker	6	9.5	7.3-14.8

**Comments:** The lake is outside of the A-B wilderness on Forest Service land. There is decent fishing for some nice size brook trout. White Suckers and Lake Chubs are also present.

#### Mouse Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Trail #27 up east fork of main boulder-lake Kathleen-rainbow Creek-lake

*Elevation:* 9581 ft columbine-columbine pass. Then around unnamed lake to east then se.

Location: 45.20954, -110.09527 (Map) Camp sites: There are flat areas (rocky) near the lake with firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 55

 Section:
 07S13E22
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Size:
 6.9 acres
 Box Canyon
 13.5 mi (12.5 on trail)
 3650 up, 500 down

 Depth:
 13ft (Ave), 30ft (Max)
 Woodbine
 22.5 mi (21.5 on trail)
 3850 ft up, 0 ft down

 13ft (Ave), 30ft (Max)
 Woodbine
 22.5 mi (21.5 on trail)
 3850 ft up, 0 ft down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

Stocking DataHistoricPlannedYellowstone Cutthroat Trout345 in 2016; 300 in 2008345 in 2024

Abundant

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2016
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 11
 13.9
 11.7-16.9

 2008
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 16
 14.8
 12.4-16.1

Comments: Mostly frozen and snowing early July 2010. K. Latterell and B. Lesher observed one 12-13" fish. 2016 FWP sample 4 hr net set 13-15 inch YCT looked fat and healthy.

Stock, with some natural reproduction

#### Mutt Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Mutt is accessible from the Goose Lake Jeep Trail. Outside the a-b

**Elevation:** 9194 ft wilderness.

Location: 45.09194, -109.93686 (Map) Camp sites: Some campsites. Scarce firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 47

**Section:** 08S14E36

Size:1.5 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:4ft (Max)Goose Lake Jeep Trail2 mi (1 on trail)0 up, 640 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Unknown

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2013	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	18	8.1	3.3-10.7
2008	No Fish Caught	0		

Comments: Rotenone project to remove brook trout from 2007-2009. Outlet flows into Goose Creek which has excellent spawning gravel

and permanent flows. Fish can probably move between Goose Creek and the lake at high flows.

The inlet stream from Jeff Lake has excellent spawning gravel and flow. In the 2013 survey 13 of the 18 sampled fish were

sampled using angling.

#### **Owl Lake**

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Approximately 12 Trail miles from the trailhead on the west fork of the

Elevation: 9594 ft Stillwater.

Location: 45.27554, -110.09905 (Map) Camp sites: There are some good places to camp. Firewood nearby.

Marcuson's Code: 71

**Section:** 06S13E27

Size:14.4 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:13ft (Ave), 30ft (Max)Upsidedown Trail14 mi (14 on trail)3700 up, 700 down

Abundance

Yellowstone Cutthr	oat Trout X Rainbow	Common		Self-Sustained	
Surveys 2018	Species Rainbow Trout		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in) 10.0-19.5
2003	Rainbow Trout		15	13.9 11.5	9.5-13.2

Status

Comments: The fish in Owl Lake look like pure Rainbows. MTFWP crew angled 7 RB from 10-19 inches in 2018. The fish were in good

shape and fought hard.

Species Present

## **Pentad Lake**

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Trail #27 up east fork of main boulder-lake Kathleen-rainbow Creek-lake

Elevation: 9394 ft columbine-columbine pass. Then downhill to favonius and pentad lakes.

Location: 45.22433, -110.10127 (Map) Camp sites: Plenty of campsites but firewood is a little picked over.

Marcuson's Code: 59

**Section:** 07S13E15

 Size:
 40.7 acres
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Depth:
 24ft (Ave), 58ft (Max)
 Box Canyon
 12.5 mi (12.5 on trail)
 3300 up, 700 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Abundant	Self-Sustained

<u>Surveys</u>	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2016	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	10	10.9	8.9-13.1
2008	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	9	9.6	6.5-11.7

Comments: Origin of these fish unknown. Natural reproduction occuring. There is interaction with Favonius Lake upstream.

Surveyed 2016 with angling, fish in average shape.

## Picket Pin Lake, North

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Picket pin 4x4 road #140 from the West Fork Stillwater River. Access road to Elevation: 8826 ft

lake is not marked but head east just before the Brass Monkey Mine.

Location: 45.43079, -110.0402 (Map) Camp sites: Many campsites and lots of firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 105

Section: 05S14E6

Size: 5.3 acres Trailhead Distance Elevation Change Depth: 10ft (Ave), 20ft (Max) Picket Pin Road 0 mi (0 on trail) 0 up, 0 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stocked

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 1,060 in 2021; 1,060 in 2023 1,060 in 2018; 530 in 2011

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2015	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	5	14.8	10.6-19.9
1998	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	2	16.1	14.9-17.3

**Comments:** The lake receives a lot of angling pressure because of its accessibility.

Stocked every 4 years. A poor net set during the 2015 survey is suspected to be the culprit for the low catch rates. Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout abundance is likely higher than the 2015 net sampling suggests.

One of the 4 fish sample in 2015 was collected with 0.75 hrs of angling.

## Picket Pin Lake, South

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Picket pin 4x4 road #140 from the West Fork Stillwater River. Access road to Elevation: 9099 ft

Picket Pin Lakes is not marked but head east just before the Brass Monkey

Marcuson's Code: 104 Camp sites: Many campsites. Lots of firewood available.

Section: 05S14E6

Location: 45.42663, -110.04614 (Map)

Size: 5.0 acres **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 8ft (Ave), 19ft (Max) Picket Pin Road 0 mi (0 on trail) 0 up. 0 down

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Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common		Stocked	
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>		<u>Planned</u>	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	625 in 2019; 625 in	2017	1,250 in 2021; 1,2	50 in 2023
Surveye Species		# of fich	Ava Longth (in)	Pango (in)

Surveys <u>Species</u> Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2019 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 11.3 11.3-11.3 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 6.4-14.4 2015 24 10.4

Comments: The lake receives a fair amount of angling pressure because of its accessibility. Most of the shoreline is vegetated marsh land. Changed stock frequency from 4 to 2 years starting in 2019.

## Pipit Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Access is served by Several Trails to the lake plateau between the boulder

Elevation: 9594 ft and stillwater drainages.

Camp sites: Nice places to camp. Plenty of firewood. Location: 45.27292, -110.10462 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 70

Section: 06S13E33

Size: 7.0 acres **Elevation Change Trailhead Distance** Depth: 12ft (Ave), 25ft (Max) Upsidedown Trail 14 mi (14 on trail) 3700 up, 700 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Abundance</u>		
Yellowstone C	Cutthroat Trout X Rainbow	Common		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2016	Rainbow Trout		8	9.5	5.4-11.3
2007	Rainbow Trout		7	9.8	7.0-11.3

Comments: Excellent Trail all the way to Pipit Lake. The origin of the fish is unknown. FWP sample in 2016 fat healthy looking RB. Look like pure RB no sign of CT. Fwp sampled 07,6.5 hour set+angling,fat fish.

#### Raven Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Elevation: 8994 ft

Location: 45.28826, -110.05392 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 87

Section: 06S13E25 Size: 10.0 acres Depth: 46ft (Max) Access: Best access is from the lake plateau. The lake is in the Flood Creek drainage

which is basically impassable. From wounded man follow a Poor Trail past

Camp sites: Nice campsites with plenty of firewood available.

Trailhead	<u>Distance</u>	Elevation Change
Box Canyon	18 mi (18 on trail)	3300 up, 800 down
West Stillwater	20 mi (20 on trail)	3300 ft up, 900 ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Cutthroat Hybrid	Common	Self-Sustained
Rainbow Trout Hybrid	Common	Self-Sustained

Surveys	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Golden X Rainbow X Cutthroat	9	10.3	6.8-12.2
1997	Cutthroat X Golden Trout	3	9.0	5.8-10.7
1997	Rainbow X Golden Trout	4	9.0	6.3-11.2

Comments: Colorful hybrids. Access is long and difficult. FWP sampled in 2018 with hook and line.

## Saderbalm Lake (Sodderholm Lake)

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Hike up Saderbalm Creek, a tributary of the west fork of the Stillwater. No

Elevation: 9020 ft Trail exists from #90 on the west fork.

Location: 45.34274, -110.01671 (Map) Camp sites: No campsites. Lots of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 98

Section: 06S14E5 **Elevation Change Trailhead Distance** Size: 7.4 acres **Initial Creek** 6 mi (2 on trail) 2400 up, 0 down Depth: 8ft (Ave), 29ft (Max) Horseman Flats 9 mi (7 on trail) 3600 ft up, 900 ft down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Arctic Grayling		Unknown		Stocked	
Stocking Data		Historic		Planned	
Arctic Grayling		400 in 2015; 775	in 1997	740 in 2023	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (ir	n) Range (in)

1990 No Fish Caught

Comments: This lake And Creek are called sodderholm on old forest service maps and in marcusons original files. Good food supply. Spawning potential in outlet. 2009 plant depends on avaiability.

The 500 grayling planted in 1985 did not take. '90 gill net set for 2.5 hours by volunteer crew. This is a Tough Lake to get to. Tom mcgillvray fished for ~1.5 hours in '94. Saw no sign of fish. Lake appeared to have lots of food. Very pretty spot. Grayling will be put on an eight year schedule starting in 2009.

# Sioux Charley Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: An easy 3 miles from the trailhead at Woodbine campground on the Stillwater

Elevation: 5796 ft river. Great trail.

Location: 45.331, -109.93292 (Map) Camp sites: Many places to camp but firewood is picked over.

Marcuson's Code: 7

**Section:** 06S14E12

Elevation Change Size: 3.6 acres Trailhead **Distance** Depth: 1ft (Ave), 4ft (Max) Woodbine 3 mi (3 on trail) 350 up, 50 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Abundant	Self-Sustained
Rainbow Trout	Rare	Self-Sustained

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>	
Cutthroat Trout	7,365 in 1947; 5,000 in 1941		
Rainbow Trout	2.750 in 1951: 29.460 in 194	9	

Surveys	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
1996	Brook Trout	27	7.9	5.4-9.7
1974	Brook Trout	32	7.8	5.3-10.2
1974	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	1	7.5	7.5-7.5

Comments: No additional management needed. CT's planted '31, '37, '40, '41. Rb's in '33, '34, '36, '40, '48, '49.

'96 fish were in average condition. '89 creel cards - 188 eb <8-12", 1 >16". 56 RB <8-12", 3 12-16" range. 4 CT <8".

## Sourdough Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Best access is from Goose Lake via the Goose Lake Jeep Trail. From Goose

Elevation: 9584 ft Lake hike cross country 3 miles west.

Location: 45.11441, -109.96769 (Map) Camp sites: Camping is fair but not much firewood. No evidence of '88 fire

Marcuson's Code: 24

Section: 08S14E22

Size: 2.6 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** 1000 up, 1200 down Depth: 10ft (Ave), 22ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeep Trail 4.5 mi (0 on trail)

Species Present **Abundance** Status **Brook Trout** Abundant Self-Sustained

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> <u>Planned</u>

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 1,000 in 1967

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2017 **Brook Trout** 10 86 6.2-9.7 1999 **Brook Trout** 10 8.4 6.1-10.2

Comments: EB are very vulnerable to angling. 2017 sample with angling only. Caught 10 EB in 20 minutes.

## Spider Lake

Access: Hike 3 miles cross country from Goose Lake. One can drive to Goose Lake Drainage: Stillwater

Elevation: 9794 ft with a 4x4 truck. NE of sourdough lake.

Location: 45.11887, -109.96516 (Map) Camp sites: A few rocky camp spots. Little firewood. No sign of '88 fire.

Marcuson's Code: 26

Section: 08S14E22

Size: 6.3 acres **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 25ft (Ave), 28ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeep Trail 5 mi (0 on trail) 1300 up, 1200 down

Species Present **Abundance Status Brook Trout** Abundant Self-Sustained

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) **Brook Trout** 2017 6.2 - 9.38.2 2010 **Brook Trout** 20 8.2 6.7-10.2

Comments: Lake is overcrowded with fish and has little fishing pressure. 2017 FWP sampled 9 EB with 30 minutes of angling. Lake could

use some harvest

Yellowstone Cutthroat

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

## Sundown Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Box Canyon Trail - columbine pass from the boulder 16 miles or from

Elevation: 9584 ft Woodbine up stillwater and wounded man 21 miles. Location: 45.23305, -110.10255 (Map) Camp sites: Excellent campsite with firewood. Beautiful Lake.

Marcuson's Code: 61

Section: 07S13E10 **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Size: 5.2 acres Box Canyon 16 mi (15 on trail) 3500 up, 500 down Depth: Woodbine 21 mi (20 on trail) 3700 ft up, 0 ft down

**Species Present Abundance Status** Common

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> Planned 900 in 2012; 1,216 in 2011 Westslope Cutthroat Trout

# of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys Species 2016 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 16 13.2 11.9-14.4 2009 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 19.6 19.6-19.6

520 in 2019; 520 in 2011

Stocked

Comments: 2016 FWP sampled with netting and angling. Caught some nice YCT but not the big ones this lake has produced in the past. Although there is No Trail, horses can access the lake (and have).

## **Sunken Rock Lake**

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Trail #27 e fork of main boulder-I Kathleen-rainbow Creek-I

Elevation: 9597 ft columbine-columbine pass-between favonius test pentad-e side Jordan

**Location:** 45.24581, -110.09089 (Map) Lake-up inlet then west.

Marcuson's Code: 64

Section: 07S13E3 Size: 11.0 acres Depth: 30ft (Max) Camp sites: Beautiful place to camp. Plenty of firewood.

**Elevation Change Trailhead Distance** Box Canyon Trail 15.5 mi (14.5 on trail) 3700 up, 1400 down Woodbine 20 mi (19 on trail) 4275 ft up, 0 ft down

Species Present **Abundance** Status Golden Trout Stocked Common Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> **Planned** Golden Trout 1,100 in 2017; 1,000 in 2011 1,100 in 2023 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 4,050 in 1969

# of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys **Species** 2016 Golden Trout 33 13.2 6.8-18.5 2008 Golden Trout 35 9.7-15.4 12.5

Comments: YCT were not doing well so golden trout planted in '84. Some reproduction may be occurring. Saw a couple size classes in

2016 and 2008 samples. GT are self sustaining in the pond below. GT seem to be a little more vulnerable to angling here than

in some other GT lakes.

## **Unnamed 69**

Drainage: Stillwater Access: The lake is on the main trail between Pipit and Wounded Man Lakes

Elevation: 9592 ft Camp sites: There are campsites and firewood available.

Location: 45.2698, -110.1018 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: None

Section: 6S13E34 Size: 2.4432 acres

Trailhead **Elevation Change** Distance Depth: Box Canyon 14 mi (14 on trail) 3700 up, 750 down

Species Present **Abundance** Rainbow Trout Self-Sustained Common Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2019 Rainbow Trout 8 7.8 6.5-9.5 1984 Rainbow Trout 8.4 5.6-13.0 5

Comments:

#### Wood Lake

Access: Access tough up Woodbine Creek, downfall and thick lodgepole. Best to cross Drainage: Stillwater

Elevation: 9784 ft the Stillwater plateau from near the benbow mine. Partial Trails.

Location: 45.27532, -109.83391 (Map) Camp sites: Questionable campsites. Best at lake wilderness.

Marcuson's Code: 3

Section: 06S15E26

Size: 12.0 acres **Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** Depth: 17ft (Ave), 38ft (Max) Near Chrome Lake 8 mi (2 on trail) 1700 up, 1100 down

Species Present Abundance Status Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Stocked

Stocking Data **Historic** Planned Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 1,200 in 2013; 1,200 in 2005 1,200 in 2021

Surveys # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 2013 14.8-16.5 15.7 2004 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 12.9 10.5-14.0

Comments: Limited use. Limited spawning success might be possible in the silty inlet. Outlet is all boulder/cobble.

Fish here are fat. In 2013 the sample was obtained using angling for 3 hours. Water was a "milky" color.

## **Wounded Man Lake**

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Popular lake on the lake plateau near wounded Man Creek. Several Trails

Elevation: 9387 ft serve the area.

Location: 45.27176, -110.08598 (Map) Camp sites: A lot of camping sites. Some firewood is available, much of it is picked over.

Marcuson's Code: 72

Section: 06S13E34 **Distance Elevation Change Trailhead** Size: 50.2 acres Box Canyon 15 mi (15 on trail) 3100 up, 500 down Depth: 16ft (Ave), 55ft (Max)

West Stillwater 17 mi (17 on trail) 3300 ft up, 600 ft down Species Present **Abundance Status** Rainbow Trout Self-Sustained

Stocking Data <u>Historic</u> <u>Planned</u> **Cutthroat Trout** 19,890 in 1946; 40,190 in 1938

Common

Ave Length (in) Surveys **Species** # of fish Range (in)

2019 Rainbow Trout 21 9.7 7.1-12.7 2003 Rainbow Trout 8 10.1 8.5-12.5

Comments: There is no record of the origin of the rainbows. This is a popular fishing spot and high use area. The 2019 sample was

obtained with angling and netting.

## Wrong Lake

Drainage: Stillwater Access: Head west from the end of the Goose Lake Jeep Trail past anvil and beauty

Elevation: 9007 ft lakes, lake aries, sourdough, spider, fly and courthouse lakes.

Location: 45.13749, -109.96277 (Map) Camp sites: Camping is good with lots of firewood on the south shore.

Marcuson's Code: 20

**Section:** 08S14E15 Size: 20.6 acres

**Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** 1600 up, 2100 down **Depth:** 49ft (Ave), 116ft (Max) Goose Lake Jeep Trail 6.5 mi (0 on trail)

Species Present Abundance Status Yellowstone Cutthroat Common Stock, with some natural reproduction

Stocking Data **Historic Planned** 2,060 in 2009; 2,060 in 2001 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 7.2-14.7 2017 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 10 13.2 2013 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 8.8-14.6 21 12.6

Comments: 25% of shoreline was burned in 1988. Very little use here. Surveys in 2013 and 2017 indicate reproduction is occurring. Hold

off stocking till next sample

Tough hike 1000 feet down from Courthouse.

## Arrapooash Lake

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: Access is from the Island Lake Trail 3/4 along Island Lake. Follow outlet

Elevation: 9804 ft stream up west side ~2 miles - no trail. Stay near stream. Steep.

Location: 45.24626, -109.84681 (Map) Camp sites: Camping is in alpine limber pine. Plenty of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 32 Section: 07S15E3

> Size: 9.1 acres **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 25ft (Max) Mystic Lake #19 10 mi (7 on trail) 3300 up, 300 down

Species Present **Abundance** Yellowstone Cutthroat Self-Sustained Abundant Surveys Species # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 9.3-15.1 2013 20 12.8 1997 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 29 12.9 7.7-14.6

Comments: The lakes in this cirque were fishless when surveyed in 1975 and 1978. Good inlet flow. Glacial silt may limit repro. Movement

of fish between the 5 Lakes in this cirque is doubtful due to stream gradients where these fish came from is a mystery.

#### Avalanche Lake

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: Access begins at Mystic Lake Trailhead. Up Huckleberry Creek just below Elevation: 9794 ft

granite peak. Trail fades in test out above huckleberry lake. Boulder hopping.

Location: 45.18262, -109.81143 (Map) Camp sites: Campsites are few, rocky. Scarce firewood. Fairly high use.

Marcuson's Code: 11

Section: 07S15E36 Size: 62.2 acres

**Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 135ft (Max) Mystic Lake 9.5 mi (8 on trail) 3800 up, 300 down

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Species Prese	<u>ent</u>	Abundance		<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone C	Cutthroat	Common		Stocked	
Stocking Data	1	Historic		Planned	
Cutthroat Trou	ut	3,180 in 19	50		
Yellowstone C	Cutthroat Trout	10,000 in 2	016; 10,000 in 2009	10,000 in 2024	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2013	Yellowstone Cutth	roat Trout	13	14.5	13.1-15.7

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Comments: Fishery is visited by granite peak climbers. Catch rates are high. One of the Storm Lakes.

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

The 2013 sample was obtained by angling for 3 hours

#### Beckwourth Lake

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: Head up the Mystic Lake Trail(#19) to Silver Lake. A path heads west from

Elevation: 9335 ft the outlet end of Silver Lake uphill and x-country and may disappear.

Location: 45.21173, -109.89444 (Map) Camp sites: Good camping. Lots of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 26

Section: 07S15E20 Size: 6.2 acres

2005

**Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 9ft (Max) Mystic - West Rosebud 11 mi (8 on trail) 3300 up, 300 down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Yellowstone Cutthroat Self-Sustained Abundant # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys **Species** Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 8.3-15.6 2019 24 11.6 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 2011 15 10.6 7.8-13.6

Comments: No plant record exists, fish likely came from Frenco Lake. FWP sampled in 2019 with angling. Fishing was steady for 9-15 inch

cutthroats

9.5-16.0

## **Crater Lake**

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: Access from Ernie Strum Memorial Trail off of West Rosebud Road where

Elevation: 6612 ft BLM land touches the road. The trail is marked with a small sign.

**Location:** 45.31463, -109.64767 (Map) **Camp sites:** Campsites and firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 38

**Section:** 06S17E16

Size: 2.3 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth: 36ft (Max)Private Road0 mi (0 on trail)0 up, 0 down

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Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Rainbow Trout		Common		Stocked	
Stocking Data		Historic		Planned	
Rainbow Trout		358 in 2018; 350 in 2015		350 in 2021; 350 in 2024	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Rainbow Trout		10	12.4	11.7-13.2
2017	Rainbow Trout		10	12.0	10.4-13.1

Comments: Crater Lake is on state land.Rainbow trout are stocked with no spawning potential. Lake Chubs are abundant.

## **Eedica Lake**

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: Isolated Lake between big and little park mountains. Good Trail exists just

**Elevation:** 9833 ft past silver lake. Tough hike/climb

Location: 45.18995, -109.89836 (Map) Camp sites: Campsites at treeline. Firewood is limited.

Marcuson's Code: 23

**Section:** 07S15E29

Size:8.9 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:40ft (Max)Mystic Lake12.0 mi (8 on trail)3900 up, 300 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stocked
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	Planned
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	450 in 2016; 890 in 2008	890 in 2024

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2013	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	20	11.3	6.4-14.3
2006	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	22	10.3	7.5-13.0

Comments: Access is difficult. Good spawning area at outlet, but success not certain. Eedica is crow meaning far away.

Began stocking 890 Yct every 8 years beginning in 1992. In 2013 sample 10 of the 20 fish sample was obtained using angling.

## **Emerald Lake**

Drainage: West Rosebud Creek. Outside the a-b wilderness.

Elevation: 6396 ft Camp sites: USFS campground fee charged.

**Location:** 45.25644, -109.69417 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 1

Section: 07S16E1

Size:28.5 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:4ft (Max)West RosebudDRIVE mi (TOLAKE on trail)None up, None down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Brown Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Rainbow Trout	Common	Stocked

Stocking Data	Historic	Planned
Arctic Grayling	200 in 2009: 3.499 in 1997	<u>r iarmed</u>
Cutthroat Trout	5.000 in 1941: 30.000 in 1940	
Rainbow Trout	1.510 in 2019: 902 in 2018	1,800 in 2020; 1,800 in 2021
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	1,831 in 1997; 2,513 in 1989	1,000 111 2020, 1,000 111 2021

Surveys	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Brook Trout	8	12.7	9.8-14.2
2017	Brown Trout	4	16.0	11.6-25.5
2014	Brown Trout	21	14.2	11.5-15.3
2014	Longnose Sucker	9	16.1	13.1-18.2

Comments: Mcbride cutthroat were planted in 1986 and it was hoped that the population would become self sustaining. That did not

happen so rainbows were planted starting in 1990. This lake gets stocked annualy with rb.

Grayling were stocked as unallocated fish from a hatchery study. Red Meadow Lake fish. This lake is primarily a self-sustaining brown trout and mountain whitefish and stocked rainbow fishery. 9 Longnose suckers and 3 mountain whitefish sampled in 2014 3 plants, 6" rb's, 600 each - late may, late june, late july. One net set in 2014 sample

#### **Ewe Lake**

**Elevation:** 8810 ft Lake and is a tough x country hike.

Location: 45.26577, -109.74396 (Map)

Camp sites: Very few flat places to camp. Plenty of firewood

Marcuson's Code: None

Section: 06S16E34
Size: 5.0355 acres
Depth: 3ft (Max)

Trailhead
No Trail. Follow Chicken
Creek up from West

Distance
2 mi (None on trail)
None up, None down
Creek up from West

th: 3ft (Max)

Rosebud Road. Start on

West side of creek

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)	
2018	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	18	9.7	5.5-12.6	

**Comments:** Ewe lake is a shallow lake that has Chicken Creek running through it. In 2018 the crew observed multiple sizes of Yellowstone Cutthroat trout. The fish appear to be self-sustaining.

## Frenco Lake

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: 10 miles From Trailhead at Mystic Lake power plant. Last 2 miles steep

**Elevation:** 9194 ft terrain and unmaintained trail from north end of silver lake.

Location: 45.21347, -109.88383 (Map) Camp sites: Good camping, abundant firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 27

**Section:** 07S15E20 **Size:** 13.9 acres

Size:13.9 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:28ft (Max)Mystic Lake10.25 mi (8 on trail)3200 up, 300 down

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Species Present	Abundance	S	Status	
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Abundant	S	Self-Sustained	

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	Planned
Cutthroat Trout	9,540 in 1950	

Surveys	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2019	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	31	11.1	4.7-16.3
2011	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	21	10.7	9.2-12.0

**Comments:** Frenco Lake was the only lake on the west bench of west Rosebud Creek that had fish at the time of the 1st surveys. They were first stocked in 1947 and remain self sustaining in good numbers.

## **Huckleberry Lake**

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: 6 miles of Good Trail, then 1 mile of steep cross country hiking south of Mystic

Elevation: 8574 ft Lake.

Location: 45.20954, -109.80592 (Map) Camp sites: Few campsites, lots of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 5

**Section:** 07S15E24

Size:8.0 acresIrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:8ft (Max)Mystic Lake7 mi (7 on trail)2400 up, 300 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Rainbow Trout	Common	Self-Sustained	
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>	
Arctic Grayling	2,500 in 1992		
Rainbow Trout	3,570 in 1949; 2,334 in 1946		

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2013
 Rainbow Trout
 11
 10.1
 7.4-13.9

 2005
 Rainbow Trout
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 11.5
 11.5-11.5

Comments: Lake provides fishery for granite peak hikers. Lake is self-sustaining.

Shallow Lake with lots of algae. Good gravels in inlet for spawning. In 2013 the sample was obtained using angling for 4 hours.

## **Island Lake**

Drainage: West Rosebud

Access: 6 miles from the trailhead at mystic hydroelectric plant. Good trail.

Elevation: 7734 ft

Camp sites: Beautiful place to camp. Lots of cover, flat spots, and firewood.

Location: 45.22213, -109.81824 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 14

**Section:** 07S15E14

Size:144.0 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:40ft (Max)Mystic Lake6 mi (6 on trail)1800 up, 300 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Rainbow Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Cutthroat Trout	5,000 in 1941	
Rainbow Trout	4,100 in 1950; 42,840 in 1	949

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2019	Rainbow Trout	15	10.6	4.1-16.5
2013	Rainbow Trout	14	9.0	3.8-17.5

Comments: Reproduction is more than adequate to maintain the fishery.

Fish (and campers) were congregated around the inlets and the outlet. In 2019 the sample was obtained using angling near the outlet for 4 hours.

#### **Island Lake**

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: Trail Head on the Benbow Jeep/ATV Trail. Or approximately a 3.5 mile hike in

**Elevation:** 5999 ft from the start of the Jeep Trail.

**Location:** 45.37692, -109.70968 (Map) **Camp sites:** Campsites and firewood are available.

Marcuson's Code: 48

Section: 05S16E26

Yellowstone Cutthroat

Size: 2.4 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth: 26ft (Max)Benbow Jeep Trail1.5 mi (None on trail)None up, None down

<b>h:</b> 26ft (Max)	Benbow Jeep Trail	1.5 mi (None on trail)	None up, None down	
Species Present	Abundance	<u>Sta</u>	<u>tus</u>	
Brown Trout	Common	Sel	f-Sustained	

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	500 in 2017: 1.000 in 2011	500 in 2020: 500 in 2023	

Stocked

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2019	Brown Trout	8	13.0	10.0-15.0
2019	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	2	12.3	11.6-13.0
2017	Brook Trout	1	13.5	13.5-13.5
2017	Brown Trout	6	13.0	11.0-16.6

Comments: Spawning habitat improvement and YCT stocking beginning 2009. Hope to establish self sustaining YCT pop here.

Common

The 2019 sampled was obtained using a 4 hr daytime gill net set and angling.

Fish were observed rising after adult damsel flies.

## **Lily Pad Lake**

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: Access from Ernie Strum Memorial Trail off of West Rosebud Road where

Elevation: 6412 ft BLM land touches the road. The trail is marked with a small sign.

**Location:** 45.31091, -109.64008 (Map) **Camp sites:** Campsites and firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: None

**Section:** 06S17E16 **Size:** 3.1155 acres

 Species Present Brook Trout
 Abundance Abundant
 Status Self-Sustained

 Stocking Data Rainbow Trout
 Historic 9,000 in 1934; 6,000 in 1933
 Planned

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2016	Brook Trout	10	7.9	4.9-11.3
2013	Brook Trout	12	8.0	5.4-13.0

Comments: On state land.

The 2013 sample was obtained using angling for 2 hours. Numerous lily pads make angling from shore somewhat difficult.

## Little Face Lake

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: Access is from the Island Lake Trail 3/4 along Island Lake. Follow outlet

Elevation: 10014 ft stream up west side ~2 miles - no trail. Stay near stream. Steep.

Location: 45.2453, -109.85396 (Map) Camp sites: Questionable, rocky campsites, some firewood. Very pretty.

Marcuson's Code: 33

**Section:** 07S15E3 **Size:** 18.6224 acres

 Size:
 18.6224 acres
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Depth:
 55ft (Max)
 Mystic Lake
 10 mi (7 on trail)
 3600 up, 300 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone Cutt	hroat	Rare		Unknown	
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<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>		<u># of fish</u>	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2013	No Fish Caught		0		
1997	Yellowstone Cutthroat	Trout	6	10.1	9.7-10.6

Comments: The lakes in this cirque were fishless when surveyed in 1975 and 1978.

No potential spawning areas. Small outlet flows only during early summer. The possibility of fish movement between the 5 Lakes in this cirque exists but is doubtful due to stream gradients.

A fish might hardly survive the drop out of here let alone be able to invade from below. No indication of fish here during 2013

## **Lower Storm Lake**

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: Start from Mystic Lake. Trail to Huckleberry Creek, then cross country. 2 miles

**Elevation:** 9906 ft of steep terrain.

Location: 45.18388, -109.82094 (Map) Camp sites: Campsites are limited. Scarce firewood. Above treeline.

Marcuson's Code: 10

Section: 7S15E35 Size: 14.73 acres

Size:14.73 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:95ft (Max)Mystic Lake9.25 mi (8 on trail)3900 up, 300 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stocked	
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Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>	
Cutthroat Trout	3,180 in 1950		
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	890 in 2019: 890 in 2011		

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)	
2013	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	19	12.8	7.6-19.3	
2001	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	12	14.2	9.5-16.8	

Comments: Management is for a trophy fishery. Decreased number stocked to 890 in 1995 to increase growth.

Stocked every 8 years. Poor spawning potential. Little use.

## Mystic Lake

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: 3 miles of Good Trail from the end of the West Rosebud road. Elevation: 7669 ft Camp sites: Lake recieves a lot of use. Campsites and firewood available.

Location: 45.2231, -109.78311 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 4

Section: 07S16E17

Size: 435.0 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 220ft (Max) Mystic Lake 3 mi (3 on trail) 1300 up, 0 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Rainbow Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	Planned
Cutthroat Trout	8,448 in 1944	
Rainbow Trout	2,750 in 1951; 2,000 in 1950	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2018	Rainbow Trout	255	11.2	5.1-15.2
2018	Rainbow X Cutthroat Trout	96	11.2	6.9-16.5
2014	Lake Chub	2	6.4	6.1-6.7
2014	Rainbow Trout	72	10.4	6.2-14.6

Comments: Largest Lake in the a-b wilderness. One of the few lakes with self-sustaining rainbow trout. Rb's first stocked 1941. Cutthroat

planted once in 1944.

Sampled with PPL Montana in 2012.

## Nemidgi Lake

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: Mystic Lake Trail to silver lake. Then north ~1.5 miles. Fairly steep. Trail leads Elevation: 9615 ft

off at first sight of silver to the west then north once you reach the bench. .

Location: 45.22756, -109.87182 (Map) Camp sites: There are a few small, flat spots to put a tent. Camping is much better at Marcuson's Code: 29

Weeluna. There is plenty of wood available.

Section: 7S15E16

Size: 13.45 acres **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 25ft (Max) Mystic Lake 9.5 mi (8 on trail) 3700 up, 300 down

Species Present	Abundance	Status
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stocked
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	1,370 in 2013; 1,370 in 2005	1,370 in 2021
Surveys Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in) Range (in)

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2019	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	22	15.5	12.3-17.3
2011	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	19	13.7	10.9-15.3

Comments: Excellent fishing, high catchability was maintained by high stocking numbers. the 2019 sample ws obtained angling 5 angler hours. Fish were in great shape. A beautiful spot but somewhat difficult to get to.

# **Nugget Lake**

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: 8 miles to Silver Lake on Good Trail. Then follow a primative trail west from

Elevation: 9394 ft the north end of Silver Lake for 3.5 miles.

Location: 45.20692, -109.89637 (Map) Camp sites: Some campsites with an abundance of firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 25

Section: 07S15E20 Size: 8.3 acres

**Elevation Change Trailhead Distance** Depth: 30ft (Max) West Rosebud (mystic) 11.5 mi (8 on trail) 3400 up, 300 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stocked
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	415 in 2016; 415 in 2008	415 in 2024

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2019	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	37	12.6	10.7-14.3
2011	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	25	10.4	6.6-17.9

Comments: FWP sampled with angling in 2019. Fishing was great for fat cutthroats 12-14 inches.

#### Princess Lake

Drainage: West Rosebud

Elevation: 9141 ft

Access: Good Trail to Huckleberry Creek at the upper end of Mystic Lake. Path up w

side of Huckleberry Creek fades in test out for 1 mile then improves.

Location: 45.19824, -109.81312 (Map) Camp sites: Good camping here - lots of fuel and shelter.

Marcuson's Code: 6

Section: 07S15E25

Size: 25.0 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 35ft (Max) Mystic Lake 8 mi (8 on trail) 3100 up, 300 down

Species Present **Abundance** Status Yellowstone Cutthroat Abundant Self-Sustained

Stocking Data **Historic** Planned

Arctic Grayling 2,608 in 1997; 1,344 in 1984

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2013 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 29 11.5 9.9-13.1 2005 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 20 11.0 6.5-15.3

Comments: There are good spawning gravels around the inlets.

Very Pretty Lake. Used by goats. Located along the access route to granite lake, this lake sees some use.

#### Ram Lake

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: Ram Lake is located at the headwaters of Chicken Creek which is a tributary

Elevation: 9594 ft to West Rosebud Creek to the west of West Rosebud Lake. There is no trail Location: 45.26957, -109.76495 (Map) exists and it is a tough x-country hike. Start hiking up the west side of Chicken

Creek, then over the boulders up to Ewe Lake.

Marcuson's Code: 35 Section: 06S16E33 Camp sites: Many campsites. Little use. Lots of firewood is available.

Size: 14.4 acres **Trailhead** Elevation Change **Distance** Depth: 29ft (Max)

West Rosebud 3.5 mi (0 on trail) 3376 up, 0 down

Species Present **Abundance** Status 5 4 1 Yellowstone Cutthroat Self-Sustained Common

Stocking Data **Historic** Planned Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 1,455 in 1983; 2,000 in 1975

# of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys **Species** 2018 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 23 12.6 11.3-14.5 2001 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 12 11.6 6.6-15.4

Comments: Ram lake has been a self sustaining Yellowstone cutthroat trout fishery since it was last stocked in 1983. It is a tough lake to get to, Pat Marcuson says "it hurts to get there." MTFWP sampled in 2018 with netting and angling and found good numbers of

average sized fish.

#### Silver Lake

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: 8 miles of good trail from the Mystic Lake hydroelectric plant on West

Rosebud Creek. Elevation: 7993 ft

Location: 45.21096, -109.85298 (Map) Camp sites: Plenty of campsites and firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 15

Section: 07S15E22

Size: 72.6 acres **Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** Depth: 21ft (Max) 8 mi (8 on trail) 1900 up, 300 down Mystic Lake

Species Present **Abundance** Status

Rainbow Trout Common Self-Sustained

Stocking Data **Planned Historic** Rainbow Trout 28,560 in 1949; 25,440 in 1948

Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2019 Rainbow Trout 9 15.6 13.7-17.8 2013 Rainbow Trout 8 8.5-15.4 11.9

Comments: The lake receives quite a bit of use. Gravel present in both inlets and outlet, with decent spawning potential.

The 2019 sample was obtained by angling for 9 angler hours. Observed fry near outlet during last two surveys.

#### Star Lake

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: 12 miles from the Mystic Lake power plant on west Rosebud Creek (last 3

Elevation: 8603 ft miles No Trail). Tough access.

Location: 45.16823, -109.86285 (Map) Camp sites: Some campsites test wood at the inlet end but access difficult.

Marcuson's Code: 16

Section: 08S15E4

Size:23.5 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:15ft (Max)Mystic Lake12 mi (9 on trail)2700 up, 300 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Unknown	Stocked

Stocking DataHistoricPlannedYellowstone Cutthroat Trout3,000 in 2018; 3,000 in 20143,000 in 2022

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2013	No Fish Caught	0		
2006	No Fish Caught	0		

Comments: No fish captured during survey in 2013. Moved stocking up to 2014.

This lake is beautiful. Clear water. The outlet has various sizes of gravel suitable for spawning. Lots of feed present. Difficult

access.

MFWP survey 06 no fish netted or observed. In 2013 used gill net and angling to survey but no indication of fish.

#### **Twin Lakes**

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: Trail Head on the Benbow Jeep/ATV Trail. Or approximately a 3.5 mile hike in

**Elevation:** 6089 ft from the start of the Jeep Trail.

**Location:** 45.37351, -109.71145 (Map) **Camp sites:** Campsites and firewood are available.

Marcuson's Code: 47

**Section:** 5S16E26

 Size:
 0.35 acres
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Depth:
 11ft (Max)
 Private
 1.5 mi (None on trail)
 None up, None down

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Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Brook Trout	Common	Self-Sustained	
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Stocking DataHistoricPlannedCutthroat Trout3,180 in 1950Rainbow Trout4,136 in 1950

Surveys Species # of fish Av	ve Length (in) Range (in)
2008 Brook Trout 2 11	1.9 11.3-12.4
1970 Brown Trout 8 11	1.0 6.7-18.0

Comments: Old headgate and irrigation structure recently improved. On forest service land but outside wilderness. Short, easy hike from

benbow Atv Trail.

The 2014 sample was obtained using a gill net set for 1.5 hrs. Two anglers also angled for 1 hour and caught 0 brook trout.

#### Weeluna Lake

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: 8 miles of Good Trail from Mystic Lake hydro plant then north from silver lake

**Elevation:** 9794 ft for 2 miles. Fairly steep. No trail

Location: 45.23391, -109.86916 (Map) Camp sites: There are nice campsites and some firewood. Camping is better here than at

Marcuson's Code: 30 Nemidji.

**Section:** 07S15E9

Size:10.2 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:30ft (Max)Mystic Lake10 mi (8 on trail)3800 up, 300 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Yellowstone Cutthroat
 Common
 Self-Sustained

Stocking DataHistoricPlannedYellowstone Cutthroat Trout765 in 2014; 765 in 2005765 in 2024

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2019
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 25
 14.2
 6.9-16.0

 2011
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 34
 14.0
 8.9-16.3

Comments: There are a couple size classes indicating some reproduction. The 2019 survey found fish spawning near the inlet.

## West Fishtail Creek Lake 40

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: From Chrome Lake it's all cross country, forested, steep, rocky, thick and

difficult until you hit the creek, then it's easy on the w side.

Location: 45.2984, -109.80029 (Map) Camp sites: Good campsites. Plenty of firewood. Just below timberline.

Marcuson's Code: 40

Section: 6S15E24

Elevation: 9528 ft

Size: 1.61 acres Trailhead Distance **Elevation Change** Depth: 4ft (Max) Benbow Mine-chrome Lk 5 mi (0 on trail) 1600 up, 600 down

<u>esent</u> <u>Abundance</u> <u>Status</u>	
out Common Self-Sustained	
<u>ata</u> <u>Historic</u> <u>Planned</u>	
730 in 2017 730 in 2023	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2004	No Fish Caught	0		
1998	Golden Trout	4	11.9	9.4-13.2

Comments: Fish have made it down here from plants in the lakes above. Good spawning in inlet, ok in outlet. Great looking stream section

~1 mile below.

'98 - 2-5" fish observed. Obvious reproduction here. '98 fish were very fat. In 2004 9-11" fish were observed. Very spooky fish were seen in the creek below the lake. They may winter here as the lake is very shallow.

#### West Fishtail Creek Lake 41

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: From Chrome Lake it's all cross country, forested, steep, rocky, thick and

Elevation: 9794 ft difficult until you hit the creek, then it's easy on the w side. Camp sites: Few rocky/boggy campsites. No firewood. Above timberline.

Location: 45.29443, -109.80738 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 41

Section: 6S15E24 Size: 6.91 acres

**Trailhead Elevation Change Distance** Depth: 40ft (Max) Benbow Mine-chrome Lk 5.5 mi (0 on trail) 2000 up, 600 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Golden Trout		Common		Stocked	
<u>Surveys</u>	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2013	Golden Trout		38	7.8	6.3-10.0
2004	No Fish Caught		0		

Comments: Inlet is boulder/silt, no gravel. Outlet has marginal gravel for spawning.

Doubtful if fish from below can move up into #41.

#### West Fishtail Creek Lake 41A

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: From Chrome Lake it's all cross country, forested, steep, rocky, thick and

Elevation: 9965 ft difficult until you hit the creek, then it's easy on the w side.

Location: 45.29531, -109.80971 (Map) Camp sites: Few campsites. Rocky and boggy. No firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 41A

Section: 6S15E24 Size: 1.58 acres

**Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth:

1: 12ft (Max)	Benbow Mine-chrome Lk	5.5 mi (0 on trail)	2000 up, 600 down
Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>
Golden Trout	Rare		Stocked

Stocking Data **Historic** Planned Golden Trout 882 in 1992; 1,396 in 1991

Species # of fish Ave Length (in) Range (in) Surveys 2013 Golden Trout 7.3 7.3-7.3 2004 No Fish Caught 0

Comments: Inlet is sand/silt, no gravel. Outlet is silt/boulders, no gravel.

Doubtful if fish from below can move up into #41a. In 2013 only sampled one Golden Trout in the gill net that was set for 13 hours, fish present but very low abundance.

## **West Fishtail Creek Lake 43**

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: From Chrome Lake it's all cross country, forested, steep, rocky, thick and

Elevation: 9801 ft difficult until you hit the creek, then it's easy on the w side.

Location: 45.30129, -109.80502 (Map) Camp sites: Some campsites present. Plenty of firewood.

Marcuson's Code: 43

Section: 6S15E24

2004

Size:4.38 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:24ft (Max)Benbow Mine-chrome Lk5.25 mi (0 on trail)1700 up, 600 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Golden Trout		Common		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2013	Golden Trout		8	12.1	9.3-14.0

10

13.2

10.3-15.4

Comments: Access is difficult. Very little use - one old fire ring.

Poor looking spawning in the outlet, little gravel. In 2013 the sample was obtained using angling for 6 hours.

## **West Rosebud Lake**

Drainage: West Rosebud Access: Approximately 45 miles south of columbus, mt. Accessible by two wheel drive

**Elevation:** 6596 ft vehicle.

Golden Trout

Location: 45.24983, -109.71122 (Map) Camp sites: Has USFS campground near outlet.

Marcuson's Code: 2

Section: 07S16E2

 Size:
 19.0 acres
 Trailhead
 Distance
 Elevation Change

 Depth:
 6ft (Max)
 Drive To
 0 mi (0 on trail)
 0 up, 0 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brook Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Brown Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Rainbow Trout	Common	Stocked

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Arctic Grayling	270 in 2009	
Cutthroat Trout	525,000 in 1936; 20,000 in 1934	
Rainbow Trout	2,610 in 2019; 3,077 in 2018	3,000 in 2020; 3,000 in 2021
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	955 in 2014; 1,090 in 2013	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2017	Brook Trout	42	11.1	8.7-13.1
2017	Brown Trout	23	13.2	9.3-16.4
2014	Brook Trout	40	11.5	9.5-13.4
2014	Brown Trout	37	13.0	9.6-22.2

Comments: Both rainbows and cutthroats have been planted in the past. 3 plants anually of 6" rb's, 1,000 each - late may, late june, late june, late

july.

Surveyed every other year. Mountain whitefish and longnose suckers also present. Sampled with 3 gill nets in 2014.

# **CRAZY MOUNTAIN RANGE LAKES**



Upper Twin Lake

# Crazy Mountain Range

## Big Timber Creek Drainage

## **Blue Lake**

Drainage: Big Timber Creek

Access: Follow Trails #119 test 118 from the half moon trailhead for 4 miles along big

Elevation: 8282 ft Timber Creek. The trail is nice and provides easy access.

Location: 46.03294, -110.28797 (Map) Camp sites: There are good campsites. Firewood is available but not abundant.

Marcuson's Code: 9

Section: 03N12E6 Size: 10.1 acres

Size:10.1 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:42ft (Max)Big Timber Creek4 mi (4 on trail)1100 up, 100 down

Species Present		<u>Abundance</u>		Status	
Rainbow Trout		Common		Self-Sustained	
<u>Surveys</u>	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2014	Rainbow Trout		16	9.4	6.9-13.0
1997	Rainbow Trout		18	9.5	8.3-11.4

Comments: Blue and Thunder Lakes are the most visited lakes in the Crazy Mountains. Blue Lake and Thunder Lake are connected with a

very short creek that allows fish to easily move between the two locations. The shoreline is 95% timbered. It is believed that rainbow trout were stocked by Druckmiller (a galena and sulfite miner) in the late 1930's.

## **Crazy Lake**

Drainage: Big Timber Creek

**Elevation:** 9194 ft

Location: 46.00933, -110.2848 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 4

**Section:** 03N12E18 **Size:** 16.9 acres **Depth:** 58ft (Max) Access: Trails #119/118 from half moon to Blue Lake. Then cross country over talus

rock to the lake. Very difficult. **Camp sites:** Few rocky campsites. No firewood.

<u>Trailhead</u> <u>Distance</u> <u>Elevation Change</u>

acres Big Timber Creek 7 mi (4 on trail) 3000 up, 1000 down (Max) Beley Lakes 8 mi (0 on trail) 2300 ft up, 0 ft down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stocked	
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	Planned	
Rainbow Trout	6,900 in 1944		
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	1,690 in 2014; 1,700 in 2006	1,690 in 2022	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2014	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	49	14.9	13.7-16.4
1997	Rainbow Trout	18	9.7	6.8-12.7

Comments: This cirque lake sits well above timberline.

Yellowstone cutthroat trout were abundant at time of 2014 survey.

## **Druckmiller Lake**

Drainage: Big Timber Creek

Elevation: 9056 ft

Location: 46.03087, -110.30909 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 12

Section: 03N11E1

Size: 24.2 acres
Depth: 97ft (Max)

Access: Take the trail at half moon campground to Granite Lake. Then continue along

big Timber Creek to the divide.

Camp sites: Some firewood. Lake surrounded by talus rock and snowfields.

TrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeBig Timber Creek4.5 mi (4 on trail)1800 up, 100 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Rainbow Trout
 Common
 Stocked

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Brook Trout
 1,500 in 1933

Rainbow Trout 2,420 in 2003; 2,412 in 1995 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 2,420 in 2019; 2,420 in 2011

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2006
 Rainbow Trout
 8
 12.4
 10.8-14.5

 1990
 Rainbow Trout
 16
 14.9
 10.0-17.5

Comments: Eagle Lake rainbow were planted in 1987 at 165/acre. Density and strain should be assessed before the 2003 stocking.

No spawning areas present. Ron carlson reports good, heavy 16-18" rainbows 8/89. '90 fish were feeding primarily on red zooplankton. A few caddis larvae were also consumed. 7/12/99 - Lake was totally ice covered.

Eb planted in '33, RB in '35, '36, '37, '76, '78, '84. Reassess rainbow plants in the crazies. MFWP survey 06, good numbers and good health.

## **Granite Lake**

Drainage: Big Timber Creek Access: Follow Trail #119/118 from the half moon trailhead for 4 miles along big

Elevation: 8400 ft Timber Creek. Easy access.

Location: 46.03433, -110.293 (Map) Camp sites: A few campsites. Firewood has been picked over near the heavily used

Marcuson's Code: 10 campsites.

**Section:** 03N11E1

1997

Size:13.4 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:95ft (Max)Big Timber Creek4 mi (4 on trail)1100 up, 100 down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Rainbow Trout Common Self-Sustained # of fish Surveys **Species** Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2014 Rainbow Trout 8 99 6.9-12.9

6

9.6

Comments: Granite Lake receives its fair share of visitors. A small creek flows from Granite Lake into Blue Lake.

It is believed that rainbow trout were stocked by Druckmiller (a galena and sulfite miner) in the late 1930's.

#### **Pear Lake**

Drainage: Big Timber Creek Access: Follow the trail from the half moon campground to Blue Lake. Then hike cross

**Elevation:** 9000 ft country to the lake.

Rainbow Trout

Location: 46.0236, -110.30555 (Map) Camp sites: No firewood. Shoreline is 98% talus rock and rock ridges.

Marcuson's Code: 11

Section: 03N11E12

Size:39.8 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:185ft (Max)Big Timber Creek4.5 mi (4 on trail)1700 up, 100 down

 185ft (Max)
 Big Timber Creek
 4.5 mi (4 on trail)
 1700 up, 100 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

Yellowstone CutthroatCommonStockedStocking Data<br/>Rainbow TroutHistoric<br/>3,980 in 2000; 4,055 in 1992Planned

Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 3,600 in 2019; 3,980 in 2011 Range (in) Surveys **Species** # of fish Ave Length (in) 2014 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 9.7-13.6 28 11.9 17.0-18.0 2006 Rainbow Trout 2 17.5

Comments: Beautiful lake above timberline that was still 1/3 ice covered when surveyed on 7/23/14.

In 2012, 12 of the 28 fish sample was obtained by angling for 4 hours.

7.3-13.2

## **Thunder Lake**

Drainage: Big Timber Creek

Access: Four miles from the half Moon Trailhead along big Timber Creek. Easy

Elevation: 8197 ft ac

Location: 46.03371, -110.28601 (Map) Camp sites: Campsites and firewood available. Shoreline is 90% timbered.

Marcuson's Code: 8

Section: 03N12E6

Size:3.2 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:7ft (Max)Big Timber Creek4.5 mi (4 on trail)1000 up, 100 down

Species Preser	<u>nt</u>	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Rainbow Trout		Common		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	<u>Species</u>		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
1990	Rainbow Trout		13	8.6	6.4-9.8

Comments: With blue, the most Visited Lakes in the Crazy Mountains. Thunder lake is connected to Blue and Granite lakes.

Thunder has the same rainbow trout population as Blue Lake. In 2014, 2 hours of angling effort at Thunder Lake resulted in 0

fish sampled.

## Twin Lake, Lower

Drainage: Big Timber Creek Access: Take the trail at half moon campground. The lake is below timberline. Good

Elevation: 8092 ft trail

Location: 46.04524, -110.307 (Map) Camp sites: There are many campsites and firewood is available.

Marcuson's Code: 13

Section: 04N11E36

Size:10.6 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:7ft (Max)Big Timber Creek4 mi (4 on trail)900 up, 100 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Rainbow Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout X Rainbow	Unknown	Self-Sustained

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Arctic Grayling	1,060 in 1992; 1,060 in 1991	
Brook Trout	5,004 in 1936	
Rainbow Trout	7,776 in 1944; 4,200 in 1938	

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	<u># of fish</u>	Ave Length (in)	<u>Range (in)</u>
2014	Rainbow Trout	14	10.9	9.1-14.1
1999	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout X Rainbow	3	12.0	12.0-12.0

Comments: Lower Twin Lake is a shallow lake that has a defined creek channel running through it.

# Twin Lake, Upper

Drainage: Big Timber Creek

Access: Take the trail at Half Moon campground. The lake is below timberline.

Elevation: 8193 ft

Camp sites: Firewood available. Shoreline 10% talus, 65% timber, 25% grass

Location: 46.04237, -110.31392 (Map)

Marcuson's Code: 14

Section: 03N11E2

Size:6.8 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:6ft (Max)Big Timber Creek4.5 mi (4.5 on trail)1000 up, 100 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Rainbow Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout X Rainbow	Unknown	Self-Sustained

Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	Planned
Arctic Grayling	700 in 2008; 680 in 1992	

Surveys	Species	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2014	Rainbow Trout	7	12.0	10.6-14.3
1999	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout X Rainbow	4	10.9	7.4-13.2

Comments: Upper Twin Lake is a shallow lake that has a defined creek channel running through it.

## Swamp Creek Drainage

## **Hidden Lake (Fish Lake)**

Location: 45.97704, -110.27469 (Map)

Drainage: Swamp Creek Access: Across private property near Beley Lakes. Then up south fork of Swamp

Elevation: 9574 ft Creek. Some Trail and easy x-country hiking. Access across the public land is

tough.

Marcuson's Code: 2 Camp sites: No firewood. Camping is better below.

Section: 03N12E30 Size: 5.0 acres **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 63ft (Max) Beley Lakes 3 mi (2 on trail) 1900 up, 200 down

Species Present **Abundance Status** Yellowstone Cutthroat Unknown Unknown Stocking Data **Historic** Planned 1,000 in 2019; 1,012 in 1982 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout # of fish Range (in) Surveys **Species** Ave Length (in) 1995 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 7.8-17.3 12.1 6

Comments: This cirque lake sits above timberline and the surrounding mountain is all talus rock. Yellowstone cutthroat trout were

self-sustaining for many years here however no fish were sampled during the 2014 survey.

No fish sampled during the 2014 survey.

## Swamp Lake

Drainage: Swamp Creek Access: Private road on the Grosfield ranch. Access from the Big Timber Creek ranger Elevation: 8968 ft

station is difficult. Using only public lands to access the area would require

many difficult miles of hiking.

Marcuson's Code: 1 Camp sites: Limited wood and campsites at lake.

Section: 03N12E31

Location: 45.9668, -110.27471 (Map)

Size: 22.2 acres **Trailhead Distance Elevation Change** Depth: 61ft (Max) Grosfield Ranch Pvt. 1300 up, 200 down 3 mi (3 on trail)

Species Present **Abundance Status Brook Trout** Abundant Self-Sustained Stocking Data **Planned Historic Brook Trout** 9,900 in 1959; 9,000 in 1954

# of fish Surveys **Species** Ave Length (in) Range (in) 2014 **Brook Trout** 81 9.5 6.7-12.0 1990 **Brook Trout** 19 10.0 8.0-12.6

Comments: Swamp Lake is not your typical a??swampa??lake. It is a deep cold lake that that has mostly a talus shoreline with only few

stunted conifers in the area. The best access is across private land.

Brook trout are very abundant here.

## Campfire Lake (Hindu Lake)

Drainage: Sweet Grass Creek Access: Good trail across private ground to Trail #122 then #123. 15 miles, up 2,200

Elevation: 8695 ft ft, down 200.

Location: 46.06927, -110.39913 (Map) Camp sites: Campsites test firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 23

**Section:** 04N11E30 **Size:** 35.4 acres

Size:35.4 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:30ft (Max)Sweet Grass Creek15 mi (15 on trail)2200 up, 200 down

 Species Present
 Abundance
 Status

 Yellowstone Cutthroat
 Common
 Stocked

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Cutthroat Trout
 45,000 in 1932

 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 5,310 in 2016; 5,310 in 2008
 5,310 in 2024

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 1999
 No Fish Caught
 0

 1995
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 11
 11.0
 6.9-17.2

Comments: This pretty lake that sits just below timberline is located on a bench above Moose Lake. It receives a moderate number of

visitors.

A poor net set may have resulted in the low number of fish sampled during the 2014 survey.

#### Cascade Lake

Drainage: Sweet Grass Creek Access: Access is difficult. From half moon campground up over the ridge takes 5.5

**Elevation:** 8961 ft hours. The outlet looks bad for access.

Location: 46.06524, -110.26188 (Map) Camp sites: No firewood. The lake is surrounded by talus rock mountains.

Marcuson's Code: 16

Section: 04N12E29 Size: 6.8 acres Depth: 25ft (Max)

TrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeBig Timber Creek3.5 mi (None on trail)3310 up, 925 down

Species Present<br/>Yellowstone CutthroatAbundance<br/>CommonStatus<br/>Stock, with some natural reproductionStocking Data<br/>Brook TroutHistoric<br/>764 in 1946<br/>Yellowstone Cutthroat TroutPlannedYellowstone Cutthroat Trout340 in 2019; 340 in 2011

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2014
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 22
 14.5
 12.3-17.3

 1999
 Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout
 8
 19.5
 17.3-21.8

**Comments:** Cascade Lake sits well above timberline in a narrow cirque basin that receives limited sunlight and receives very little use. It is no surprise there is very little use as the access is very tough.

#### **Cave Lake**

Drainage: Sweet Grass Creek Access: Head up Milly Creek ~4 miles from the Maintained Trail up sweet grass creek

Elevation: 8790 ft (Trail #122). Access to #122 is across private land.

Location: 46.07035, -110.32177 (Map) Camp sites: There are a few campsites and some firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 18

Section: 04N11E26

Size:15.5 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:41ft (Max)Sweet Grass Creek8 mi (4 on trail)2600 up, 200 down

Species PresentAbundanceStatusGolden TroutCommonSelf-SustainedGolden Trout HybridCommonSelf-Sustained

 Stocking Data
 Historic
 Planned

 Golden Trout
 410 in 2003; 1,012 in 1992

 Surveys
 Species
 # of fish
 Ave Length (in)
 Range (in)

 2014
 Golden Trout
 8
 17.8
 13.4-22.3

 1999
 Golden Trout
 11
 13.3
 8.3-18.8

**Comments:** Cave Lake is a beautiful lake in an open basin with a few scattered trees. The shoreline is 75% talus rock with the other 25% being timber and grass.

Hybridization of this golden trout population was detected in 2003.

## **Moose Lake**

Drainage: Sweet Grass Creek Access: Maintained trail up the Middle Fork of Sweet Grass Creek, or from Porcupine

**Elevation:** 7951 ft Ranger Station. Good trail.

Location: 46.06709, -110.38658 (Map) Camp sites: There are many campsites and firewood is plentiful.

Marcuson's Code: 21

**Section:** 04N11E29

Size:13.1 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:11ft (Max)Sweet Grass Creek14 mi (14 on trail)1500 up, 200 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>
Rainbow Trout	Common	Self-Sustained
Stocking Data	<u>Historic</u>	<u>Planned</u>
Cutthroat Trout	7,040 in 1931	
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	3,492 in 1941	

<u>Surveys</u>	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2014	Rainbow Trout	19	10.2	7.0-13.7
2006	Rainbow Trout	4	10.3	6.3-14.0

**Comments:** This stunning lake is located in a timbered valley at the upper end of the Middle Fork of Sweet Grass Creek. There is sign of moderate to light use here. The lake sits on private land.

## **North Fork Lake**

Elevation: 8520 ft

Location: 46.1108, -110.3796 (Map) Camp sites: Campsites test firewood available.

Marcuson's Code: 25 Section: 4N11E8

Size: 4.816 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:Sweet Grass Creek13 mi (13 on trail)2100 up, 200 down

Species Prese	<u>ent</u>	<u>Abundance</u>		<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone C	Cutthroat	Common		Self-Sustained	
Surveys	Species		# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)
2014	Yellowstone Cutth	roat Trout	7	8.5	4.9-12.7
1990	Yellowstone Cutth	roat Trout	37	9.5	6.3-14.0

Comments:

# **Sunlight Lake**

Drainage: Sweet Grass Creek

Access: Follow the Cattle Trail up the north fork ~3 1/2 miles from the maintained trail

Elevation: 8895 ft up sweet Grass Creek.

Location: 46.10989, -110.38896 (Map) Camp sites: Campsites available close below the lake. Wood is scarce.

Marcuson's Code: 26

Section: 04N11E8 Size: 8.0 acres

Size:8.0 acresTrailheadDistanceElevation ChangeDepth:34ft (Max)Sweet Grass Creek13.5 mi (13.5 on trail)2500 up, 200 down

Species Present	<u>Abundance</u>	<u>Status</u>	
Yellowstone Cutthroat	Common	Stocked	
Stocking Data	Historic	Planned	
Brook Trout	11,000 in 1937		
Cutthroat Trout	25,200 in 1939		
Rainbow Trout	22,400 in 1941		
Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	1,000 in 2018; 1,000 in 2010	1,000 in 2025	

Surveys	<u>Species</u>	# of fish	Ave Length (in)	Range (in)	
2014	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	53	9.4	7.6-12.2	
1990	Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout	15	11.9	7.1-15.2	

**Comments:** The lake sits just above timberline in an open basin. The shoreline is roughly 60% rock and 40% grass. The lake was about 1/2 covered with ice during the 7/23/14 survey.

Yellowstone cutthroat trout were doing well and very abundant when surveyed in 2014.